

THE BEACON of Christ Church, 20 N. American St., Philadelphia, PA 19106

Planning ahead . . .

OCTOBER 2007

- 2 DOCC 6:00-8:00pm
- 4 Blessing of the Animals
6:00pm
- 5 First Friday Concert
8:00pm
- 7 Contemplative Prayer
5:30pm
Holy Eucharist & Healing
6:00pm
- 8 Columbus Day
- 9 DOCC 6:00-8:00pm
- 13 DOCC One-Day Retreat
8:30am-2:30pm
Volunteer Gardeners
10:00am
- 14 LGBT Fellowship 4:30pm
- 16 DOCC 6:00-8:00pm
- 20 St. Mary's 350 8:30am
- 23 DOCC 6:00-8:00pm
- 28 Family Fair 1:00-5:00pm
Spirituality Group 5:00pm
The Bridge 20s/30s
Potluck 6:00pm
- 30 DOCC 6:00-8:00pm
- 31 Halloween

NOVEMBER 2007

- 1 All Saints' Day
- 2 First Friday Concert
8:00pm
- 4 Contemplative Prayer
5:30pm
Holy Eucharist & Healing
6:00pm
- 6 DOCC 6:00-8:00pm
- 10 Volunteer Gardeners
10:00am
- 11 ONE SERVICE at 10AM
Stewardship Sunday
- 13 DOCC 6:00-8:00pm
- 17 St. Mary's 350 8:30am
- 18 Parents' Night Out 6:00pm
- 20 DOCC 6:00-8:00pm
- 21 Thanksgiving Eve Service
7:00pm

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Baptism Schedule

- October 28 (11:00am only),
- November 4 (All Saints'),
- January 6, March 22 (Easter Vigil),
- March 23 (Easter),
- May 18 (Bishop's Visitation)

SHREWD STEWARDSHIP

Each year, when *Forbes* magazine publishes their list of America's 400 wealthiest billionaires, I pick up a copy to check and see if any parishioners have made the list. This year, I was astounded by this detail: "One money manager joins the list [for the first time] after pocketing \$1 billion short-selling subprime credit this summer."

I don't know much about the financial markets, but I take it the billion dollars in this money manager's pocket came out of the pockets of people like you and me and our family and friends who declared bankruptcy, packed up their homes, and moved from that which they hoped would be their piece of the American dream.

In the 16th chapter of the Gospel of Luke, we find one of Jesus' most beguiling parables. A rich man is being ripped off by the manager of his wealth. When he is caught, this dishonest manager protects his future by defrauding the rich man even more by forgiving the debts of people who owe the rich man money. When the rich man sees the shrewdness of the dishonest manager, he praises him. What's a little fraud, the parable seems to suggest, if the rich man has a manager so clever so as to make him richer?

This dishonest manager seems shrewd enough to pocket *in one summer* a billion bucks out of human weakness and misery. What's beguiling is that Jesus appears to endorse this sort of economic fraud and dishonesty by having the rich man praise the dishonest manager. But, it's really a parable about good stewardship. In this 16th chapter of Luke, Jesus teaches that we cannot serve both wealth and God, but Jesus also makes clear that we are to use our wealth shrewdly for the glory and purposes of God.

For Jesus, that there is an economic system with winners and losers is suspect, even sinful, but it's a reality that can't be denied. In the parable, the rich man is that economic system, and we, the disciples, are to be the shrewd managers within it. Are we to be dishonest? No! For Jesus, wealth itself is dishonest, because wealth's premise is that a human can own something, and Jesus believes (shouldn't we?) that God owns everything, and what we have is on loan from God. It's the dishonesty of the wealth that makes the manager dishonest, but shrewdness can turn the wealth towards God's purposes.

Idealistic, I know, but God is all about changing our ideals. We return to God the loan made to us through a life of integrity, defined by God's idealism (love your neighbor, love your enemy, feed the hungry, release the captive, etc.). None of us will be able to give back through our lives all that God has blessed us with, which is why we pray to God, "Forgive us our debt, and we will forgive the debt likewise of those who owe us (take note those who grow rich on the debt of others).

Stewardship—the practice of declaring to Christ Church your financial support for 2008—is based on the idealistic notion that when we give gifts to the church, we are not giving what is ours to give, but giving back to God what is God's. If we are the caretakers of a certain portion of God's wealth, we are called to return this for the wealth of that which proclaims God's ideals and love, and for us, that is through Christ Church. Christ Church is a COMMONWEALTH.

So, here is how stewardship works:

1. You pledge for 2008 if you are a member (full-time, part-time, believer, skeptic, elated, disgusted, occasional, hardly ever, "my parents were, and I may want to get married there someday," "I haven't been since we buried my Aunt, but you'll be there when I need you again," and every other membership category).

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2. You pledge by completing and returning a 2008 pledge card, indicating your financial support weekly, monthly or yearly. Return the pledge card no later than Sunday November 11, preferably by bringing the pledge to the worship at 10 AM that day (one service only).
3. Our Vestry and members will bring, send, or give to you on Sunday your pledge card, but, you will make your pledge anyway if this system doesn't go as planned. You can pledge by contacting Wayne West at the office.
4. You will consider the challenge of tithing, meaning, committing 10% of your financial resources in 2008, or returning to God a tenth of the blessings you have received. It's a challenge, not a typo! If not 10%, then consider 5%. Give a proportion of your financial resources, not an amount.
5. And, remember, every member of Christ Church (see #1 if that includes you) should have a Will, and every member's Will should include Christ Church.

And will someone please get me the phone number of the money manager who pocketed \$1 billion this summer selling short subprime credit? He may be hiring a manager, and I would like to offer my services.

Timothy Safford

STEWARDSHIP 2008

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!
LET'S GET TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE OUR
MINISTRIES AND 312 YEARS OF CHRIST CHURCH
ONE SERVICE AT 10:00AM
ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11
FOLLOWED BY A PARTY IN THE NORTH GARDEN**

PRESERVATION UPDATE

1. Scaffolded since last May, the roof, balustrades, masonry, windows and stonework of Christ Church is nearing completion in all categories of its preservation project, except brick replacement. Specially made in Massachusetts, humidity this summer has delayed their fabrication. The scaffolding will remain through the end of October, and more likely mid-November.
2. Beginning in October, the installation of the fire safety system in the church begins, as well as interior preservation. Scaffolding will be constructed inside the church beginning in January, and come down before Easter, 2008. The Curtis Organ has been protected, and a temporary electronic organ will be used through the interior fire safety and preservation project. *See photos on page 3*
3. In October, Neighborhood House renovation begins with the installation of high-capacity three-phase power. This power plant will first serve the new fire pumps in the church, and later the fire systems, elevator, HVAC in Neighborhood House. As well, a new, watertight roof for Neighborhood House is expected, and waterproofing and masonry repair from the roof line to the cornices will be completed.

All construction is disruptive, but our construction manager, Haverstick-Borthwick, works hard to minimize dirt and inconvenience. The church will be available to us through the interior projects each Sunday, but there may be times during the week that we will need to close. All of the work represents \$3.5 million of capital projects funded by our capital campaign, which has successfully reached nearly \$6 million of our \$10 million goal. Thank you all who have made possible this most significant preservation and improvement project in a century to the historic buildings of Christ Church.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CHRIST CHURCH

for the Bible tells me so

A Documentary Film in Philadelphia

Is there a chasm separating gays and lesbians and Christianity? Does the Bible close the chasm, or make it wider? Come see Dan Karlake's provocative and entertaining documentary about how many churches misread the Bible to exclude gay and lesbian Christians from the church. Through the experiences of five Christian American families--including Rep. Richard Gephardt and Bishop Gene Robinson, this movie shows how insightful people of faith can be in welcoming a gay person fully into the family of faith.

Winner of the Audience Award for Best Documentary at the Seattle International Film Festival, **for the Bible tells me so** will be playing at Landmark Ritz at the Bourse from **October 12 to 18**. See the movie and join the Gay and Lesbian Fellowship of Christ Church for conversation and Q & A in Neighborhood House on **October 14 at 4:30pm**.

CHILDREN'S SABBATH & FAMILY FUN

Join us at the 11am service on Sunday **October 28** for our annual Children's Sabbath. At the service, we'll focus on our children and youth - their presence, ministries, and abilities. It will be a special worship experience for the whole community. Show the children how important they are to life at Christ Church by participating in this service.

We'll also have special afternoon activities. We'll begin with a new family History Scavenger Hunt at the Burial Ground - trace family histories and historical connections between graves, names, and families, and kids get a prize at the end. Then we'll return to Neighborhood House for fall snacks and a special program in the Atrium for kids, and a time for food and fellowship in the parlor for parents. For more information, contact the **Rev. Susan Richardson**.

REMEMBERING ALL SAINTS

Sunday, **November 4**, will be our All Saints' Day Celebration at the 9:00am and 11:00am services. As part of these services, we will read a list of friends and loved ones who have died since last year's All Saints' Day celebration (November 5, 2006). If you have a name to add to this list please contact **Cecilia** at cwagner@christchurchphila.org or 215.922.1695.

EPISCOPAL PEACE FELLOWSHIP

Violence surrounds us: open warfare among nations; civil, tribal, and ethnic wars within nations; random violence unleashed by gangs; unexplained acts by mere children using guns to kill schoolmates, sometimes themselves. On another level, a more pervasive form of violence tears at our relationships. Verbal, emotional or physical violence comes from the anger, rage, hatred and fear inside each of us- the same dark emotions that lead to war.

Episcopal Peace Fellowship is a national organization with headquarters in Chicago, and more than 50 local chapters in the USA. EPF's commitment is to pray, study, and act to create change on local, national and international levels as a Christian response to violence. Christ Church clergy and vestry are supporting efforts to start an EPF Chapter at our church. Annual Membership fees are \$40 per person/family, \$10 for those persons with limited financial resources. We will form a local chapter here at Christ Church if we have sufficient interest. More info? Check the website at www.epfnational.org. Contact the **Rev. Carol Anthony** at canthony@christchurchphila.org or **Enny Cramer** at ennycramer@aol.com or 215-925-9809 with questions or declaration of interest.

John DiPaolo helps with the removal of pipes from the antiphonal division of the Curtis Memorial Organ

AN EMERGENT MINISTRY: THE BRIDGE

In recent years, the 20s/30s ministry within the Christ Church community has continued to grow and thrive, serving those already active in worship and leadership here as well as those newly bringing their doubts, fears, and hopes to our door. In recognition of that growing ministry and its inclusiveness, the group has changed its name to the Bridge, welcoming people of all ages to intentional exploration of new possibilities in worship, justice work, and spiritual discussion. Yet at its heart still lies a vital interest in asking hard questions about faith and life, in creative hands-on work serving those in need, and in supporting each other in a deepening quest for authentic Christian identity. In short, it bridges the past and the future, doubts and hopes, and those who feel “in” and “out” of the church. For more information on any of the Bridge activities listed below, please contact the **Rev. Susan Richardson** at srichardson@christchurchphila.org.

SPIRITUALITY GROUP

October through December - we'll spend time with the Gospel of Matthew, as we move into Lectionary Year A, which uses lots of Matthew. What's the history of the book, what does scholarship say, how are we to read references to different religious groups - and how is it touching us today?

October 7, 10:10am

October 28, 5pm

November 4, 10:10am

November 25, 5pm

December 2, 10:10am

December 16, 5pm

THE BRIDGE 20s/30s DINNERS

Folks in their 20s through early 40s gather as a community that dares to bring both its doubts and its hopes, and to support each other in looking at life through a different lens. We get together once a month for dinner and social time, to share the language, culture, and humor of seekers in this range of ages.

Fall 2007 schedule in Neighborhood House:

October 28, 6pm – Potluck: As you're able, bring a dish to share. The church provides soft drinks, wine, and beer.

November 25, 6pm – Potluck

December 16, 6pm – Dinner provided by the church – bring your own beverage

Rsvp for dinner or childcare, or get more info, by emailing the **Rev. Susan Richardson**, srichardson@christchurchphila.org.

EUCHARIST WITH PRAYERS FOR HEALING

We gather in the simple space of the Great Hall for creative, experimental approaches to bringing our thanks, fears, hopes, and needs to God. At 6pm is a time of Eucharist and healing prayers, a chance to bring up our concerns for ourselves and others and to forge strong ties as a community, preceded at 5:30pm by a guided spiritual practice such as yoga or contemplative prayer – a great way to get centered before the week ahead. If you'd like to be involved in liturgical planning – with art, poetry, photography, icons, dance, music, whatever interests you – please contact the **Rev. Susan Richardson** at srichardson@christchurchphila.org.

Fall worship schedule in the Great Hall in Neighborhood House: **October 7, November 4**

December 23 Eucharist and healing in preparation for Christmas, especially for those who struggle with the meaning or memory of Christmas.

JUSTICE FOR THE HOMELESS

We will continue preparing and serving monthly meals at nearby shelters:

Monday, **November 19**, Old First Reform, corner of 4th and Race Streets

Monday, **December 17**, Old First Reform.

For more info, contact the **Rev Susan Richardson** or **Anne Koerner** (ackoerner@yahoo.com).

IN NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE

Groups from all over Philadelphia increasingly use the space in Neighborhood House for their functions.

Here is a listing of some of the next two month's events.

AA Meetings – Monday through Friday at 12:15pm
& Every Saturday at 10:30am

Haverstick-Borthwick – October 3, 17 & 31

National at Old City – October 8

Old City Civic Group Assoc. – Oct 2, 16 & 23 at 8:00am

Tai Chi Class – October 13 at 1:00pm

Theatre Exile – October 3 through November 18

UPCOMING SUNDAY SERVICES & EVENTS

Oct 7 The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00am	Holy Eucharist and Sermon
10:10am	Rector's Forum The Bridge Spirituality Group Music Class for 4-10 year olds Journey to Adulthood for 11-17 year olds
11:00am	Holy Eucharist and Sermon
5:30pm	Contemplative Prayer in the Great Hall
6:00pm	Service of Healing and Eucharist

Oct 14 The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00am	Holy Eucharist and Sermon in the Church
9:00am	Children's Eucharist in the Atrium
10:10am	Rector's Forum Faith and Family Series
11:00am	Morning Prayer and Sermon
12:30pm	LGBT gathering for movie and discussion (<i>see page 3</i>)

Oct 21 The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

9:00am	Holy Eucharist and Sermon
10:10am	Rector's Forum Music Class for 4-10 year olds Journey to Adulthood for 11-17 year olds
11:00am	Holy Eucharist and Sermon

Oct 28 The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

9:00am	Holy Eucharist and Sermon
10:10am	Rector's Forum Faith and Family Series
11:00am	Children's Sabbath, Holy Eucharist and Sermon
12:30pm	Family Fair
6:00pm	The Bridge Spirituality Group
7:00pm	The Bridge Potluck Dinner

RECTOR'S FORUM 10:10AM EACH SUNDAY

October 7- *Reflections on Debt, Money Self-Worth, and Forgiveness*

In the gospels, Jesus talks about money on nearly every page, and the language of debt and its forgiveness of debt permeates all of the teaching about sin, reconciliation and new life. Using 23 years experience of pasturing people through crises around money, the Rector reflects on a Christian's place in a materialistic world strangled by consumer debt.

October 14- *A Special Rector's Forum for Children and Youth. No Adults Allowed!*

The Rector meets with the children and youth of the congregation in Atrium II to discuss: What does it mean that the people in Chicago might make me their bishop? *Adults—please drop off your kids, and attend the Faith and Family forum on the first floor*

October 21- *A new vision for the Episcopal Church going forward*

As the Rector leaves for a week in the Diocese of Chicago, come hear a preview of what he will be saying about the future of the Episcopal Church.

October 28- *Bible Study*

FAITH & FAMILY SERIES

"The Margins of our Lives: The Need for Life Beyond Schedules"

All parishioners welcome!

When we're overscheduled as parents, workers, and friends, we can end up losing the unstructured time that's so essential to recharging our batteries. Using the workbook *Margin: Restoring Emotional, Physical, Financial and Time Reserves to Overloaded Lives*, by Richard A. Swenson, M.D., we'll hear Dr. Sara Corse, director of Einstein and University City offices of the Council for Relationships, speak on the importance of reclaiming unplanned time in our lives and then will spend small-group discussion time based on chapters and exercises in the book. *Margin* is available new and used through Amazon. All are welcome! This month's schedule is:

Sunday **Oct. 14**, 10:10am, group discussion of *Margin*, Part Two – "The Prescription: Margin"

Sunday **Oct. 28**, 10:10am, group discussion of *Margin*, Part Three – "The Prognosis: Health"

CHILDREN'S EUCHARIST

Parents are invited to bring children of all ages to this special time in Atrium I led by one of the clergy. We celebrate together the first part of the Eucharist - the Liturgy of the Word - hearing Bible stories, singing songs, and taking a different part of the liturgy and talking about what it means. Then the clergy will lead the procession over to the church to bring the children into the full community Eucharist. Our first gathering will be **October 14** at 9:00am. Please join us! If you have any questions, please contact the **Rev. Susan Richardson** or **Teri Ruiz**.

INSIGHTS FROM THE ATRIUM

"God has us carefully like a glass ball in his cupped hands, and opens his hands and looks at us and sees if we are all right."

MUSIC NOTES

JOIN CHRIST CHURCH CHOIR

Not very mysterious, but somehow confusing to some of our community, you, too, are invited to try out for the ranks of Christ Church Choir. Now is the time, as we begin another liturgical year together as a parish family. To briefly explain-an octet of paid professional singers form the core of our group, four of whom sing the early liturgy each Sunday, the full octet at the later. Then, for all special services and holy days or national days, the full Christ Church Choir sing, which are the parish volunteer singers added to this octet. These choristers gather through the year to rehearse choral repertoire for special events on Saturday mornings at 9:00 A.M. Requirements are simple: knowing how to read music, attending rehearsals faithfully, and committing oneself to being there for these special worship services.

It is great fun, and allows one to add not only to ones own worship experience but to one's stewardship to the parish, and to the beauty of this beautiful music ministry for some of our most important holidays.

Talk to anyone who has, or is, part of the chorister program and ask more about it: Bo Sullivan, Sally Mullen, Lynn Karoly, Ayo Gansallo, Paul Yaros, Craig Murray, Jude Hetrick, Samantha Ferrante, Carol Hauptfuhrer or get in touch with John Binsfeld by phone at the parish office for more details.

FIRST FRIDAY SERIES

October 5 at 8:00pm we welcome back David Yang and his amazing string quartet, now under the new name of Poor Richard's String Quartet; and that's about as perfect as it's going to get, folks, for this space and this history, for the start of another year of free concerts here on first Fridays of the month. There will be four more string quartet concerts in this Series running through next May.

This year is strange and different, of course, because we are shutting down the Curtis Organ in the beginning of October until we are finished making a lot of dirt and dust in the air completing our construction project. So, no organ concerts per se, of course; but, having once again secured an electronic instrument from Walker Company, we are able to support a lot of beautiful music for our worship, at least!

Meanwhile, under this temporary handicap, many were determined not to abandon this admirable vehicle for having our church not only open to folks as the crowds gather for the arts in Old Philadelphia the first Friday of every month; but, in addition, to contribute to those arts through beautiful music with free concerts in a magnificent candlelight setting, sponsored entirely by local patrons and members and friends of this parish. Just this support alone has allowed us to continue over eighty five concerts here in thirteen years ongoing....now that is an impressive record indeed, considering that the operating budget of Christ Church has not in all those years been asked for one dollar in financial support! You, too, can contribute. We are always looking for First Friday Team volunteers to help in security, ushering, greeters, for each event. Talk to any Team member: Marcy and Allen Hasbrouck, Sherry and Christian Johnson, Cecilia Wagner, Paul Yaros, Craig Murray, Donald Bentley for more details.

NEXT SPECIAL MUSIC EVENTS

First, adding to the information above, our **November 2** event for First Friday happens to be also a holy day; All Souls Day, so that we will have special choral music that deals with the subject matter of All Saints and All Souls from some of our own Christ Church Choir soloists and choristers. Also, you might now want to mark your own calendars for the annual Advent Lessons and Carols Service for the first Sunday in Advent: **December 2 at 5:00pm**, the beginning of another Christian New Year!

FELLOWSHIP and FAMILY

THE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Our pets – precious companions in our homes and lives – are “living gifts” from God. They teach us in their play, in their companionship, and in the assurance their company brings. Come celebrate this rich part of God’s creation on the feast day of Saint Francis, who served all God’s creatures, on Thursday, **October 4** at 6:00pm in the Christ Church North Garden. Please invite a new friend or family to bring along their pets, and bring your own for a brief, beautiful service blessing each animal and giving thanks for the joy they bring to us. All species welcome!

CHRIST CHURCH GARDENERS

Please join us in the North Garden on **October 13** at 10:00am. Newcomers are always welcome. We hope to see you there. Questions? Please contact **George Niedermayer** at niedy711@aol.com.

SANDWICHES FOR THE HOMELESS

Come join the crew of sandwich makers who once a month cheerfully make 350 bologna sandwiches for St. Mary’s. We gather next on Saturday, **October 20**, 8:30-9:30am. Kids love to help, too! Questions? Please contact **Wayne Christman** at waynechristman@comcast.net.

YOUTH GROUP, GRADES 7-12

Bring your questions and feelings and even a friend, and join us for fun and a chance to talk in a different way from anything else in your busy life. A spiritual and educational program for youth ages 11 to 17 years old, *Journey to Adulthood* will begin in September.

Where: the theater space on the 3rd floor of Neighborhood House. **When:** 10:10am, on **October 7 & 21, November 4 & 18, December 2 & 9.**

Working with the youth group will be the **Rev. Susan Richardson** and our new seminarian from Lutheran Seminary, **Christoph Schmidt**, with additional help from members of the Bridge group. Please contact the Rev. Susan Richardson for more info.

WELCOME THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Truman Guy Evans, son of **Kelly McCabe & Shawn Evans**

Kyle Happ Purdy, son of **Alynn & Scott Purdy**

Liam Chae Marshall & Elle Kathleen Marshall,

children of **Suzan & John Marshall** (and nephew & niece to **Carol Ferenchak**)

PARISH BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to our parish family members celebrating birthdays this month:

October 1, **Mary Paschall, Natalie Roberts, Caroline Vander**

October 4, **Mollie Suddath, Kathryn Tereshko**

October 5, **Melanie Boylan, Erika Tapp**

October 7, **Collin Gleason, Aedhan Loomis, Dan Pohlig**

October 9, **Ken Oakes, Michael Walsh**

October 10, **Steven Camiel, Darryl Mueller**

October 13, **Jean Knight**

October 15, **Ruth Frantz, Letitia Gembala**

October 18, **Jean Lutes**

October 20, **Anee Haglo**

October 21, **Michael Giansiracusa, Jr., Cheryl Weldon, Henry Ziegler**

October 22, **Laura Scheerer**

October 23, **Alexsandra McKeown**

October 24, **James Timberlake, Ruben Wahrenberger**

October 26, **Fred DeAndrea, Stavros Panageas**

October 27, **Chris Vaccaro**

October 28, **Don Bentley, Emery Guldalian, Ann Wilkerson**

October 30, **Eleanor Abbott, Gail Hearn, Michael Palski**

October 31, **Maddox Rosser**

Did we miss your birthday? Please contact **Cecilia** in the church office.

PHOTO OP

Members of The Bridge (formerly the 20s/30s Group) prepare and serve dinner at a nearby shelter. *See Justice for the Homeless on page 4.*

Christ Church: A user's guide

9:00 AM Eucharist and Sermon

Rite II, celebrated with vocal quartet, organ and hymns.

10:10 AM Christian Education

Adult education each Sunday in Neighborhood House. Education for Children and Youth on the second and third floors of Neighborhood House from September to June.

11:00 AM Eucharist and Sermon (*see schedule*)

Rite I or II celebrated, with organ and hymns, and vocal leadership from Christ Church Choir

11:00 AM Morning Prayer and Sermon (1 Sunday a month)

Nursery care for infants and toddlers is available from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM each Sunday.

Wednesdays

12:00 Noon Eucharist

Rite II, briefly and informally celebrated with a short homily. About 20 minutes, this liturgy is a perfect addition to relieve "hectic downtown life syndrome."

Visiting/Getting in touch

The Church, located on 2nd Street just north of Market Street in Old City Philadelphia, is open for visiting, prayer and meditation from 9am to 5pm daily.

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