

SAINT AIDAN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Sunday, January 27, 2008

Our Father, who has set restlessness in our hearts, and made us all seekers after that which we can never fully find; forbid us to be satisfied with what we make of life. Draw us from base content, and set our eyes on far-off goals. Keep us at tasks too hard for us, that we may be driven to You for strength. Deliver us from fretfulness and self pity; make us sure of the goal we cannot see, and of the hidden good in the world. Open our eyes to simple beauty all around us, and our hearts to the loveliness men hide from us because we do not try enough to understand them, Save us from ourselves, and show us a vision of a world made new. May your Spirit of peace and illumination so enlighten our minds that all life shall glow with new meaning and new purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



A Story from the Life of St. Aidan, the Patron Saint of Our Church

Aidan loved to talk to the pagan Angles about Jesus. He would not ride a horse, because it deprived him of opportunities to witness about Christ while he traveled. It was easier to talk to people, he thought, when you were on their level. One time King Oswin of the Angles gave Aidan an expensive horse. Aidan had not ridden very far before he gave the horse away to a poor person. The King was angry with Aidan for doing this. Aidan asked the King if a horse was more important to him than one for whom Christ had died. The King, who was a Christian, repented and asked Aidan's forgiveness.

*Worshipping Christ and shining His light to the University of Colorado,
Boulder, and the world.*

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Annual Meeting Sunday Schedule and Agenda

Regular Sunday Worship at 8am and 10:15am

with Annual Meeting Address in place of Sermon..... The Rev. Mary Kate Schroeder

Membership Sign In.....Please sign in on the directory and check your entry

Opening Hymn

Consideration of Agenda and Declaration of Quorum Junior Warden, Warren Taylor

Approval of 2007 Annual Meeting Minutes

Vestry Elections

Election of Delegates to Diocesan Convention and Front Range Region

New Initiatives The Rev. Mary Kate Schroeder

Canterbury and Campus Ministry The Rev. Dustin Berg

2007 Financials and 2008 Budget Presentation Treasurer & Finance Committee

Acknowledgements and Awards..... The Rev. Mary Kate Schroeder

Closing Hymn

Prayer and Adjournment to Clean Up (everyone help please!)

Calendar

Feb 2 St. Aidan's Recital Series presents David L'Hommedieu, 2pm

Feb 6 Ash Wednesday Liturgies at 7am, 12:10pm, 7pm (no Alleluias for a while....)

Feb 22-23 Vestry Retreat with The Rev. Bruce McNab

Feb 24 Black Pioneers in Music Performance at 4:30pm, Macky Auditorium

Mar 16 Palm Sunday

Mar 23 Easter Day! Alleluia!

Worship Statistics	2005	2006	2007
Sunday Services of Holy Eucharist.....	167	143	153
Weekday Services of Holy Eucharist	91	71	64
Private or Home Communion.....	139	153	101
(brought to shut-ins by Lay Eucharistic Visitors)			
Baptisms.....	2	6	9
Confirmations	1	1	6
Reaffirmations.....	1	1	5
Receptions.....	1	1	2
Marriages	1	4	0
Burials.....	5	11	15
Daily Office Weekdays.....	10	66	204
Sundays.....	0	11	3
Total Persons Worshipping at St. Aidan's on Sundays	8029	7919	7986
Average Sunday Attendance (ASA)	154	152	152

Total Persons Worshipping on Weekdays 15742062 4425

Vestry Candidates

The Vestry needs to fill four positions, including that of Clerk of the Vestry, who does not need to be an elected member of the Vestry. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor of the Annual Meeting. There are 3 three-year positions and one two-year position open.

St. Aidan's members who want to serve on the Vestry need to be members of the congregation in *good standing*. Being in *good standing* is defined as: over 16 years of age, recorded as a member in the parish directory, faithful in corporate worship, and faithful in working, praying and giving for the spread of the kingdom. Regular attendance means for Sunday worship, and giving means that you have made an annual pledge to St. Aidan's by filling out a pledge card.

Vestry members are expected to be in attendance at all meetings, unless they are prevented for good cause, and to take responsibility for partnering in leadership with the Clergy and Wardens, including communicating with members and groups in the parish, participating in parish events and work, and advocating for our ministry in the community and in the wider church.

Clergy Report

The Rev. Mary Kate Schroeder

I see the year 2007 in three broad strokes: History, Discernment, and Renewal. We began at the 2007 Annual Meeting with three goals that I set forth: listening, eating together, and learning. At the same time, it became clear to me that throughout many transitions and changes in the past 30 years at St. Aidan's, we had not done the work of talking through our history and telling stories—beautiful, tragic and everything in between—of our parish, or *History*.

So, that is what we did during Lent on Monday nights. Many people—from 30 to 50 each evening, along with a couple of lunch meetings too—came to help tell the story of our parish. We ended this season with a joyful celebration and prayer service on the Feast of the Ascension in May. Four parishioners gave testimony about our church, and we were joined by The Rev. Canon Lou Blanchard, Canon Missioner for the Episcopal Diocese of Colorado who offered her perspective. We prayed that God would help to free us from the hard things of the past, and the learned stories that do not help us build up the body of Christ, and lead us into a new future.

The second season of this year was *Discernment*. Beginning with the Vestry Retreat in May, where we set a timeline of discernment, the Vestry and I worked together to do two things—to listen for a renewed mission and vision for St. Aidan's and campus ministry and to assess what kind of leadership was needed in order to move into that vision. We were helped by the Diocese (and we also helped the Diocese during this process to define what a healthy discernment process looks like!). During June, I preached about mission and vision and my role in it, and about the nature of Christian discernment. During July, the Vestry canvassed the congregation and began a set of meetings without me. In August, they extended a call for me to become Rector, which I accepted in early September. This process was more open, available, and grounded in the whole congregation than any previous process at St. Aidan's.

On September 2, when we celebrated the Feast of St. Aidan, I introduced our third season: *Renewal and Recommitment*. This was a season of preparing for our grand celebration of Renewal of Ministry and Welcoming of a New Rector on November 27, but more than that, it was a season of renewing our commitments to Christ and to belonging to the body of Christ in the local church. On October 7, with the Blessing of the Animals for St. Francis Day, we also blessed our church grounds, processing around the whole property and offering prayers and offering ourselves. The Sunday morning Confirmation class was lively and well-attended; several people publicly renewed their commitments with me on November 27.

Another sign of renewal and recommitment is in the area of Stewardship. For 2008, you have increased your giving by more than \$45,000 over last year. Forty-seven (47!) households have increased their pledge and 13 households pledged for the first time. This is extraordinary and faithful growth, and I expect it to continue as more households choose to increase their proportion of giving to a tithe. We have more pledging households than in many years (90) and room to grow too, as this represents only two-thirds of those who call St. Aidan's home. The Vestry has also made a commitment to give our full asking of plate and pledge receipts (10%) to the Diocese, because we are dedicated to doing our part and taking our role as a leader in the Diocese.

For me personally, 2007 has been a demanding year, and a fruitful year. Four people who were very close to me died this year, including Fr. Ray Smith, and grief takes time. It is a continued goal of mine to delegate more and to move away from administration to true leadership as your Rector (and I will need your help and commitment with this!). The process of transitioning from Priest-in-Charge to Rector, and the discernment component are vulnerable for both priest and congregation. I hope to take more time for study and more time for my personal life. I have been blessed with good health and I am energized by the swimming I've been doing this fall.

I have also served the diocese this year, which is part of being ordained for the whole church. In particular, I co-led a session of Summer Camp (Wilderness Backpacking) in July, I served as a member of the Bishop's Task Force (my second round with this group), and I continue to serve as Chair of the Diocesan Board of Examining Chaplains.

When I sit back and look at this past year in this way, I am filled with joy. We have done very good work—and there are so many things not contained in the broad strokes above, many of which follow in other reports. I am beginning 2008 knowing that we are on a path of growth, renewal, and revitalization that are essential for St. Aidan's to move into the future. I sense joy among you, and openness to try new things, a willingness to aim high enough to “fail forward”, as some say, for the sake of the Gospel.

The church will change in the future; it has already changed for many of us. This is a truth, not a lamentation, because Christ came so that we “might have life and have it abundantly” John 10:10 and this means constant transformation, for the sake of being Christ in the world to those who do not know him. Let us do this, of course, without haste, and without rest.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Kate Schroeder, Rector

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning, dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid (The Hymnal 117) for these bright and best moment's of 2007 we give thanks to God, in no particular order whatsoever:

- ❖ We welcomed these new households to St. Aidan's: **Rob, Michele, and Michael Sibley; Clark Colahan and Barbara Coddington; Jean Cox and Anne and Earl Bekoff; Ann Carlos and Jim Markuson; Joan Poehlman; David Goldstein; Anne Doyle; Kevin, Marybeth, Galen and Kylie Sanford; Jim and Mindy and Keira Zarske; Nick and Beebe Garrard** and welcome back from Bainbridge Island, Washington to **Richard and Kathy Wolniewicz and Jacob, Linnea, and Anna-Sophia.**
- ❖ Thanksgiving to God for the new life in our midst with our 2007 babies **Charles Peter Meloche** (and parents **Chris and Meriah** and big brother **Temple**) and **Walker Logan Percy** (and parents **Karen and Clinton** and big sister **Cadence**).
- ❖ **Facilities Manager Ken Biornstad** joined our staff in March, just in time for Lent and Holy Week. He left in June to care for his mother in Portland, and then joined us again in November. Ken's joyfulness in service is a blessing to all of us, as is his careful attention to our building and people.
- ❖ **Office Administrator Amanda Pullaro** continued her excellent work in the office, and became full-time in November. She has navigated us through changing databases, upgrading and updating the office, and is a cheerful and welcoming presence to all.
- ❖ We said goodbye to Organist **KwiHo Son** in June, and then welcomed **Alex Maynegre** to that position a week later. KwiHo now holds a teaching position at a Presbyterian College in South Korea and writes that she misses us very much.
- ❖ We welcomed Canterbury Chaplain **Fr. Dustin Berg** in mid-July, after his ordination to the priesthood in June in the Diocese of North Dakota to begin his ministry with us in parish-based campus ministry to CU Boulder.
- ❖ We celebrated two ordinations for **Benjamin Randall Thomas**—to the Sacred Order of Deacons on June 9 and to the Sacred Order of Priests on December 8. Ben, Holly, and Nathaniel remain at General Theological Seminary in New York where Ben is doing doctoral work in Anglican approaches to Holy Scripture
- ❖ We welcomed into the body of Christ: **Allison Nicole Rutledge, Gwendolyn Leigh Riedeman, Samuel George Riedeman, Kiera Ruth Zarske, Brando Benjamin Arceo, Giano Benicio Arceo, Samuel Kurtz Cook, Caroline Malia Kung, and Emery Isabel Meckley Powell.**
- ❖ We commended to God and to Christ our Lord in death: **Richard Hazen Crawford, (The Rev.) Ray Mace Smith, William Weymouth Ellwood, Nancy Lee Franklin, Abigail Morgan Reed** (CU student), **Benjamin E. Scarlett, Sr., Harold Harvey Short, Mildred W. Coffin**, (Green Mountain), **Carol L. Missey, Albert W. Wright** (Fort Logan Cemetery), **John Stephen Schroeder** (Arvada Cemetery), **Jean Cox** (mother of Anne Bekoff, buried at St. Phillips, Tucson, Arizona) **Elizabeth Mann** (Crist Mortuary), **Glenn Walter Rose, Jr., James Reed Sacksteder, and Katherine Marie (Linfield) Fulkerson.**
- ❖ We rejoiced in the *Confirmations* of: **David Avery Leiserson, Ryan Leonard Freedle, Mary Elizabeth Terry, Caprice Eileen Sassano,**

- Raymond Harry Sassano, Katherine Armstrong Zak**; the *Reception into the Episcopal Church of Jennifer Elin Deeb and Philip Warren Zak*; and the *Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows* of **John H. Moore, Susan Elaine Sassano, William Orange Sweeney, Rebecca Jane Snider Riedeman, Michael James Riedeman, and Mary Katharine Schroeder.**
- ❖ We thank God for **Donna Colville's** several-year tenure as Treasurer, which she offered with grace, humility, and a deep and abiding joy. We welcomed **Bill Sweeney** as Treasurer in November of 2007.
 - ❖ **Joe DeSousa** faithfully volunteers to check the parking lot many mornings, a great help to Amanda in the office.
 - ❖ **Cathy Miller's** faithful presence almost every Sunday morning, arriving before the Rector, turning on lights, picking up and arranging things, and preparing us for worship, sometimes vacuuming or sweeping or shoveling snow or finding hay for the manger on December 24!
 - ❖ The **Mardi Gras** pancake supper on February 20, which included Pancake Races, an original song about Pancakes, and raucous fun, led by **Jamie Mills** and other EMCUB (now Canterbury) students and supporters.
 - ❖ CU Student **Jennie Carr** for being the 5pm Sacristan on Sundays, setting up the chapel and coordinating readers and intercessors.
 - ❖ We said goodbye to **Dave Dolph and Gary and Joanne Ashley** (who moved out of the area) and **The Rev. Ben and Holly and Nathaniel Thomas**, (who moved onto their next congregation). Also leaving the congregation were **Jo Ann and Tom Padgett, Beth Zacharisen and Eugene Yen and Janet Zacharisen.**
 - ❖ Standing 8am Ushers **Edgar Smith and Remsen Voorhis** (often assisted by **Al Moate**) who make everything go smoothly for the early service.
 - ❖ Choirmaster **Scott Taylor's** leadership of the St. Aidan's Choir and the Spring Recital Series, now beginning its second year. Scott took and passed his Comprehensive Exams for his Master's Degree in November.
 - ❖ Summer (and now year-round) soloist **Fred Peterbark** who brings to our worship of the Lord new joys, delights, and emotions with his voice and music selections.
 - ❖ **Grace Pierce** and a crew of bakers leading a successful Fruitcake Bake in November, which raised more than \$3,000 which was given to seminarians Mike Demmon and Ben Thomas and Canterbury Student Assistance and Joycare Infant and Toddler daycare center.
 - ❖ Canterbury Peer Ministers **Jennie Carr, Ryan Freedle and Jamie Mills** for their leadership and joyful service, for music at 5pm, for the start of a Women's Group, for reaching out on campus with flyers and "chalking," and for leading in service projects at EFAA and St. Clare's Mission. Jamie took and passed his Comprehensive Exams for his Master's Degree in November, and graduated on December 21.
 - ❖ CU Graduate **Meredith Clewe** continues to shepherd our teenagers in weekly Bible Study that is fun and formational. Meredith's joy in serving God is infectious to all around her. A new Ecumenical Youth Group with other congregations is in formation. Several events were held this fall shared by St. Aidan's, Atonement Lutheran, St. Andrew Presbyterian, and Grace Lutheran. This could be the beginning of

- something good—working together to care for our youth.
- ❖ The July 28, 2007 marriage of Canterbury students **Seth Raymond and Elizabeth McCormick Raymond** at Atonement Lutheran (Elizabeth’s home church)—a joyful celebration together of two church communities and two delighted pastors, **Pastor Deb Engquist and Mother Mary Kate Schroeder**.
 - ❖ The August 23 marriage of **Mike Demmon and Libby Hoskinson Demmon** at St. Timothy’s in Centennial. This was right before the beginning of Mike’s third and last year in seminary as a Candidate for Holy Orders from St. Aidan’s and Canterbury.
 - ❖ The **Vestry** of St. Aidan’s has worked hard to communicate transparently with the congregation, making several rounds of canvassing phone calls, and working together through our discernment and call process. The Vestry also met the Senior Warden’s Challenge of providing 25% of our pledge goal for the congregation (\$255,000) from Vestry pledges. Particular thanks go to retiring members **Harvey Burkett, Jim Paine, and Don Pierce**.
 - ❖ Nursery Coordinators and Caregivers **Danielle Fulton, Megan Gillespie, Lauren Boose, Veronica Guzman and Melanie Streff** for caring for our youngest so reliably and lovingly.
 - ❖ **Bal Patterson’s** ministry of leading Football Parking, and those faithful volunteers who are responsible for a significant income to St. Aidan’s, including **Barb Williams, Dowell Williams, Joe and Karen DeSousa, Rebecca and Mike Riedeman, Edgar Smith, Ray and Sue Sassano, Warren Taylor, Matt Clark, Walt Lewis, David Varra, Bill Sweeney, Seth and Elizabeth Raymond and Charley Noecker**.
 - ❖ The repair ministry of **Remsen Voorhis, David Varra, Bill Sweeney and Warren Taylor**, keeping our building cared for.
 - ❖ The summer grounds-keeping work by **Bill Sweeney**.
 - ❖ The Altar Guild leadership of **Sidney Goodwin and Marilyn Voorhis** who quietly and persistently make sure the Altar is prepared for every service of Holy Eucharist.
 - ❖ The restoration of health to **Carol Rasmussen, Shirley Morck, Ed Mock, Kathleen Harrach, Tom Kent, Troyanne Thigpen, Jim Milberg, Tori Guruswamy and Blake Niemann!**
 - ❖ Morning Prayer Officiants **Bill Sweeney, Andrew Barker, Greta Frohbieter, Jamie Mills and Ryan Freedle** who make it possible for the Daily Office to be offered publicly five days a week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 8am).
 - ❖ The regular Wednesday morning 7am Holy Eucharist and Toast crew: **Girido Baker, Nicholas Lee, Buck Frye, Bill Kaempfer, Bill Perry, Bill Sweeney, John Moore, Seth and Elizabeth Raymond, Kandace Einbeck, Naomi Ware, Richard Wolniewicz, Fr. Dustin Berg, Karen DeSousa and Robert Pomeroy** for no-holds-barred colloquies and conversations on Genesis and Revelation. Of special note is **Girido’s** ministry of hospitality—he arrives in time to put away dishes in the kitchen, to make coffee, and to prepare for toast after the Eucharist.
 - ❖ **Heidi Huff’s** quiet and faithful service as Webmaster for the St. Aidan’s Website.
 - ❖ Soundman **Charley Noecker** for his every-Sunday attention to the sound system at the 10:15am service, including making MP3 files of parts of the service available for publication to the website.

- ❖ **Ben and Sherri Prieb** donated the design and printing of new letterhead and notecards for St. Aidan's.
- ❖ A new Mom's Group is forming under the leadership of **Karen Percy and Michelle Niemann**. They offered the first Parent's Afternoon Out in December, providing nursery care for parents who needed some time away or time to prepare for the holidays.
- ❖ The Elder Care and As Families Grow Older offerings led by **Louise Alderson**, who helps us navigate hard transitions with as much information as possible, and also the Pastoral Care Committee and Louise's leadership as chair.
- ❖ Canterbury Administrative Assistant **Fred Peterbark**, who was the engine behind the **May 2007 Pilgrimage to Taizé, France** that let 21 college students make a spiritual pilgrimage of growth and faith.
- ❖ The **Navajoland Mission** became a **Jubilee Ministry** in the Diocese of Colorado at Diocesan Convention on October 6.
- ❖ The Endowment Committee—**John Alderson, Tom Kent, Bill Perry, Gene Shaw, and Bill Kaempfer**—for their dedicated care of this asset and gift from God.
- ❖ The Finance Committee, now working for the first time in many, many years—**Rob Sibley, Don Pierce, Mike Riedeman, and Dick Meckley**. A policy for undesignated bequests was recommended to and adopted by the Vestry after many years.
- ❖ The **Anonymous Donor** who has helped us improve our grounds with more than \$30,000 of donations, mostly for work removing trees, getting new plantings, and taking care of some long deferred maintenance issues.
- ❖ **Diane Arnold and Edgar Smith**, who are my constant companions at funerals, as Altar Guild and Acolyte, and Usher, respectively, providing peace and comfort to all, and to **Alex Maynegre** who is almost always there too.
- ❖ Usher Wrangler **Keith Murdock**, for making the Narthex (the area outside the main doors to the church!) a lively place with nametags, bulletins, and an inviting ministry.
- ❖ The above-and-beyond ministry of this whole parish, and especially **Gillian Brown, June Guruswamy, Carlen Penfold, Karen DeSousa, Virginia Patterson and Mollie Lee** for making our funeral services and receptions a true gift for bereaved families and for our parish community.
- ❖ **Walker Prieb and Ben and Sherri** who saw that vast improvements were made to our Children's Yard outside of the nursery.
- ❖ The **Faithful And Anonymous People** who make sure there are flowers or plants, and colorful tablecloths in our Parish Hall at all times.
- ❖ Delegates to Diocesan Convention **Bill Kaempfer, Donna Colville, Barb Williams and Dowell Williams** (along with clergy) took our place in the council of the church, and saw the musicians from Canterbury—**Seth Raymond, Ryan Freedle, Jennie Carr, and Robert Pomeroy** lead convention worship.
- ❖ **Canterbury Board of Stewards** including parishioners **Amy Paine, Grace Pierce, Bill Sweeney, Joe Proulx, Buck Frye, and Virginia Patterson** saw us through a restructuring, resizing, and re-visioning of the Board of Stewards, and a name change from EMCUB to Canterbury.
- ❖ **Johanna Ketellapper's** organization that allowed us to make 101 in-home visits to parishioners to bring the sacrament of

Holy Eucharist to the whole body of Christ.

- ❖ The **Pastoral Care Committee** for bringing seniors to St. Aidan's for special services at Easter and during Advent (including gift bags and flowers!), especially **Amanda Pullaro** for making sure we had transportation each time.

- ❖ **Nicholas Lee's** Wednesday book studies for members and friends alike, offering intellectual inquiry and growth.

Chaplain's Report

The Rev. Dustin Berg

The year 2007 has been an exciting time for Canterbury Colorado. When I arrived in early July to assume the position of chaplain, I was amazed at the abundance of activity that had been taking place among our student community! I have been continually grateful for all the support I have received both from the Canterbury and St. Aidan's communities as I begin my ministry here. It is an honor and blessing to serve in this capacity.

Reflecting on 2007 for Canterbury could easily become a (long!) list of programs and activities. Rather than offering a list, however, I wish to highlight our ministry in terms of two areas: those weekly events that constitute the core of our identity; and our efforts to increase our presence beyond our walls.

Weekly, Canterbury students in 2007 engaged in worship, study, prayer, reflection, and eating together. These activities took the form of Sunday worship and fellowship dinners, theological / spiritual reflection, and Bible study, led by Seth Raymond, former parishioner Dave Dolph, and by the chaplain. During these weekly activities, students engaged a broad variety of topics, from prayer methods to the book of Daniel to discussions relating to how they engage with society.

In May of 2007, several students from Canterbury and various other campus ministries embarked on a pilgrimage to the ecumenical monastery of Taizé, France. During their stay, the pilgrims drew closer to God through prayer, silence, and meditation as they settled into the monastic rhythm of prayer and work. I have seen many of the fruits of this pilgrimage, from a strong interest in contemplative prayer and discernment to beginning the offering of prayer services in the style of Taizé on the CU campus. Though I was not part of that pilgrimage, it is clear to me that this was a vital element of nurturing the spiritual practice of our community's members, and something that they are eager to offer for others.

This brings me to the second area in which I see Canterbury's activities in 2007 having been focused – increasing its presence and witness to the local community and beyond (“...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” –Acts 1:8). First, the presence and daily witness of our peer ministers (beginning in the fall of 2007, Jamie Mills, Jennie Carr, and Ryan Freedle) has been directed toward reaching those with whom they have daily interaction – classmates, friends, and peers. Their work in 2007 has included planning, visioning, and setting goals for themselves and for Canterbury's everyday witness, especially with outreach on the CU campus in mind.

Student leadership was also instrumental in ecumenical and interfaith events during 2007, most notably the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper (to which several other ministries were invited), progressive dinner, and student prayer service on the CU campus following the Virginia Tech shootings. In addition, Canterbury students saw the need to witness to Christ's mission through offerings collected at our 5pm services, directed toward St. Clare's soup kitchen in Denver, the Colorado Haiti Project, and the Diocese of Colorado.

Though not directly related to increasing its witness in the community and beyond, Canterbury also changed its name in 2007 from the Episcopal Ministries to the University of Colorado – Boulder – EMCUB, for short, to Canterbury Colorado. The hope was to begin being more recognizable and easier to remember.

I am fortunate during the portion of 2007 that I have been here to have begun getting to know our students on a personal and pastoral level. The work of being a chaplain is incredibly rewarding, and I look forward to the activity we have planned for 2008. Currently this includes a women's group, monthly outreach / service opportunities, a benefit concert series, vocational discernment on the CU campus, and continued leadership and spiritual development for the entire Canterbury community.

Soli Deo Gloria.

Respectfully submitted,

The Rev. Dustin D. Berg, Chaplain

Senior Warden Report

Bill Kaempfer

In the most recent issue of *Vestry Papers* from the Episcopal Church Foundation (Nov./Dec. 2007), The Rev. Pat McCaughan (who is Associate for Parish Life at St. George's Church in Laguna Hills, California) offers these ways for a vestry (and senior warden) to stay focused on Jesus:

- Be a non-anxious presence
- Be patient
- Engage your passion
- Don't leave your brain at the door
- Try something you've never done before
- Share your passions with others
- Pray and then get out of the way
- Exercise the Spirit's gifts
- Be concerned about the lives of your priests
- Remember who the real authority is

Although it is very difficult to remember and follow these 10 steps at all times, they are really the keys to survival on a vestry and as a warden. As I look back on 2007 at St. Aidan's, I find

that the more closely I stuck to these guidelines, the better for all concerned. While they are all important, for me the central one is “pray and then get out of the way.” But for this advice we might not have a new rector at this time!

2007 was a year of discernment for all of us as we tried to find God’s way in selecting St. Aidan’s 6th rector. The process started even earlier, of course—two years earlier as we began our transition from the leadership of **Fr. Don Henderson**, our 5th rector, to a period of first a temporary rector, **Fr. Ray Smith**, and then the appointment of **Mother Mary Kate Schroeder** as our priest-in-charge. During 2005 and 2006 there were many important steps along the discernment path for the Vestry, parish and priest-in-charge including setting initial goals, evaluating progress toward those goals and meeting with our canon missionary. All of these steps were, in fact, required by the Diocese, and all successfully concluded.

However, in 2007 the process began to get more demanding, involved and pressing. At first I had to deal with numerous questions of the type, “Why can’t we just appoint Mother Mary Kate and be done with it?” In answer to this complaint I urged patience (see the second bullet above) and adherence to process.

During the spring of 2007, the vestry met in retreat with our advisor, **Fr. Bruce McNab** of Christ Episcopal in Aspen. Fr. McNab helped us reflect on the mission and vision of St. Aidan’s. Following this retreat, the vestry met several times to set out our course of discernment. These meetings, which included a couple of dinner meetings (remember our charge from Epiphany of 2007?), were always prayerful, open and frank.

As a vestry we also set out to contact all members of the parish. Frankly, a few of you might have been missed, overlooked or fallen through our cracks, but in general the Vestry profited greatly by engaging almost all of you in a discussion at some point during the summer of 2007. In these parishioner contacts, the question might not have always been the same or asked in the same way, but the responses we got back from you were invaluable to us.

Finally in late summer our meetings were able focus on our discernment of the future for St. Aidan’s. The most important lesson and direction was that we need prayer to proceed. This prayer on top of all that we had learned led us to invite **Mother Mary Kate Schroeder** to be our rector. Of course, she had her own discernment to undertake, but that is her story, not mine. My story ends with the installation of **Mother Mary Kate Schroeder** as the 6th rector of St. Aidan’s on November 27th, 2007.

Respectfully submitted

Bill Kaempfer, Senior Warden

Junior Warden

Warren Taylor

I offer an appreciative thank you to everyone who contributed time, effort and money to improve the church campus and facilities. I apologize in advance to any individual I fail to recognize. St.

Aidan's mission is: "Worshipping Christ and shining His light to the University of Colorado, Boulder, and the world." The congregation addressed the mission by maintaining and improving St. Aidan's campus and facilities.

I am grateful for the help and assistance of the church staff: **Fr. Dustin Berg, Ken Biornstad, Fred Peterbark, and Amanda Pullaro**, and the leadership and support of **Mother Mary Kate Schroeder**. They managed and assisted with repairs, contracts, custodial concerns and basically kept the facilities operational. In addition, the staff was instrumental in the boiler repair, mechanical upgrades, HVAC operations, and basic facility maintenance. During his few months as a volunteer groundskeeper, **Bill Sweeney** was instrumental in both campus improvements and facilities upgrades. I particularly appreciate his help in creating a master list of projects: THE LIST.

Girdo Baker, Barb Williams, Nicholas Lee, Ryan Freedle, and Jamie Mills all worked on the grounds in the Spring and early Summer in a variety of projects including general tree and brush trimming, the clearing of Anderson Ditch, the building of the East drive retaining walls, and the clearing of Canterbury House (seven dumpsters of trash, besides a good deal of salvage), as did non-parishioners **Jesse Simon** and **Toby Olberding** (as well as the **Taddiken** and **T&T Landscape** crews).

Since then, **Grace Pierce, Girdo Baker, and Nicholas and Mollie Lee** all contributed to the design of the new landscaping and choices of trees. **Hugh Stewart** discussed the plan and was the ultimate source of the choice of a pine tree for the front yard. The Tree Farm crew did the formal design and the installations. Neighbors **Gary Berg, Roger Wolsey**, (pastor of the Wesley Foundation), and **Kyle Lampe** (groundskeeper for the Lutherans) all contributed permissions, encouragement and ideas as well as cooperation in matters relating to the ditch, boundary fences, and access paths. **Walker, Ben and Sherry Prieb** and their landscape contractor provided the design and upgrade of the children's play yard, with **Cathy Miller** helping to clear the area of weeds and rubbish. **Rudy Joenck** donated the large stones in the children's play yard, **Tim Sweeney** worked on the lights on the cross on the South wall of the church. **Ken Biornstad** cleared leaves from the building roof, and **Nicholas Lee and Jamie Mills** cleared the boiler room vent shaft and the columbarium garden drain and hung the LEM certificates. **Nicholas Lee** also worked at the clearing of the soil and brush from the North boundary of the parking lot. **Mother Mary Kate** cleared leaves from the gutters and from the bell tower and weeded the East and West gardens. **Bal Patterson** cleared leaves from the gutters and also oiled the bell clapper. **Mother Mary Kate and Amanda Pullaro** provided the new signs on the front monument. **Ken Biornstad** provided the flower planting around the base of the front monument. **Karen DeSousa** watered the newly-planted trees. **Cathy Miller** trimmed the hedges North of the building and the plants in the Columbarium garden, and **Carlen Penfold** trimmed the roses in the West garden and provided ideas and plants for the West and Chapel gardens. **Cathy Miller** also kept the outdoor potted plants watered all Summer. **Mother Mary Kate** and **Father Dustin** worked on the rebuilding of the East ditch walls. **Ruth Frye** provided much work on the East garden. **Matt Clark, John Moore, Jamie Mills, Fr. Dustin Berg, Karen DeSousa, Carlen Penfold, and Ken Biornstadt** all helped with the several relocations of furniture. **Grace Pierce** and **Bill Sweeney** arranged to hang the portraits of our rectors. **Ken**

Biornstad and **Tim Sweeney** strung the tree lights in the front and in the Columbarium garden. **Ken Biornstadt** and **Bill Sweeney** cleared frozen gutters and roof drains and installed heat tapes to relieve a variety of roof leaks and other ice problems. I further want to thank **Matt Clark** for his assistance with labeling the breaker boxes.

Mother Mary Kate contributed many ideas and much encouragement and made sure crews got lemonade (as did **Ken Biornstad**).

With everyone's help the church and the grounds are vastly improved. We celebrated this on Sunday, October 7, St. Francis Sunday, when we processed around the boundaries of our campus, proclaiming the Gospel to CU, Boulder, and the World at each corner of our campus.

Respectfully submitted

Warren Taylor, Junior Warden

Treasurer's Report

William Sweeney

This has been a year of many changes. In November, I was appointed to replace **Donna Colville**, who resigned as Treasurer after many years of faithful, exemplary service. We began the year with plans to spend about \$30,000 more than we expected to receive. In the course of the year, planned spending was a bit under budget, and we received about \$140,000 in unexpected income. The largest portion of that abundance was the bequest of over \$90,000 from the **M.J Pellillo** estate. After much deliberation, the Vestry has decided to allocate this gift to outreach, endowment, and deferred maintenance projects during 2008. We also received about \$30,000 in unexpected gifts designated to begin work on our backlog of deferred maintenance. Some of that work is already visible in the professional tree-trimming and tree removals as well as the thirty newly planted trees and shrubs on our campus. All in all, we end the year very close to break even, with substantial cash on hand.

In course of 2007 we also entered into a Management Agreement with Canterbury (formerly Emcub) which combines the programs of St. Aidan's and Canterbury into a single operating budget, a single staff, and a single facility. St. Aidan's and Canterbury remain separate corporate entities within the Diocese of Colorado with their own boards and missions.

We completed the improvements to our procedures based on the report of our last audit for years 2003 and 2004. We have begun the process of auditing 2005 and 2006, and will combine that with an audit of 2007. We are switching from the for-profit oriented QuickBooks software to the Non-Profit oriented Shelby software, and we will also have a review to make sure that our conversion has been properly accomplished.

As a result, our budget for 2008 is organized to report on our programs in a uniform format that reflects our mission statement: "Worshipping Christ and Shining His light to CU, Boulder, and the World." Our 2008 budget, compiled by the newly-formed Finance Committee of **Rob Sibley, Dick Meckley, Don Pierce, and Mike Riedeman** and approved by the Vestry, will

show our core parish activities under the heading of Worshipping Christ, our Canterbury ministries under the heading of Shining His light to CU, our local outreach activities under the heading of Shining His light to Boulder, and our non-local outreach activities under the heading of Shining His light to the World. Most of Canterbury's ministry spending is contributed to St. Aidan's for our combined work. As a result of all this change, we are projecting total expense for 2008 at about \$525,000, with about \$505,000 of income identified so far. The 89 pledges we have so far received have increased in total substantially over 2007. We are already at about 90% of our \$255,000 goal, with many households still not heard from. The Vestry as a group of 14 households pledged 25% of our goal. Thank you to everyone – our generous gifts are making possible more ministries that are more active.

Respectfully submitted

William Sweeney, Treasurer

Clerk's Report

William Sweeney

I was appointed as clerk in May of this year. The St. Aidan's Vestry met in 17 regular meetings and 1 special meeting this year, plus one retreat, two dinners, and one evening of prayer. Throughout the year, the Vestry was one or two members below a full roster, and members worked very hard to confirm our Mission Statement and Vision Statement (both of which are set out below), and to discern the call of **Mother Mary Kate Schroeder** as our Rector, which took effect with her installation on November 27. The Vestry also formed a Finance Committee this year and has begun considering formation of a Stewardship Committee and a Governance and Nominating Committee. Vestry members have also made calls to every member at least twice this year, and have each made an effort to attend more of our services and to be available to parishioners at coffee hours. Vestry activity summaries have been published regularly in the Aidan Comfort and Vestry minutes are posted in the Parish Hall.

The Vestry (at our meeting of September 24) has asked the whole congregation to pray with us for these two things:

- + We pray that people will come to know the love of Jesus *through us* at St. Aidan's – our mission and witness.
- + We pray for the blessing and freedom of abundance, and for an increase of trust in God's providence and abundant love for us.

MISSION:

Worshipping Christ and shining His light to the University of Colorado, Boulder, and the World.

VISION:

By the year 2017, St. Aidan's will become a "**beacon**" to the University of Colorado, Boulder, and the world, a presence marked by activity seemingly all day and all night: lights always on and doors always open. St. Aidan's would become the "**church in the marketplace**", providing both a parish home to its members and a relevant Christian presence to those who pass our doors every day. St. Aidan's would appear to be a place of "**blessed chaos**": many concurrent

ministries of outreach, service, conversation, fellowship and learning, surrounding and supported by a core of Eucharistically-centered worship, pastoring and prayer.

Respectfully submitted

William Sweeney, Clerk

Hospitality

Gillian Brown

Hospitality continues to welcome and try to incorporate all members and visitors to the church. Eating together is an important way of getting to know one another. Sunday coffee hours have been a long tradition at this church providing refreshments after both the 8:00 and 10:15 services, and it has become the norm to see people lingering over a cup of coffee after a service. I would like to thank all the many people who have helped to carry on this wonderful, welcoming activity; their names have been printed quarterly in the Aidan Comfort. Interestingly, it is often one of the first ministries that newcomers get involved with. I would also like to give a special mention to Sheryl Bain for helping to organize the 8:00 service coffee hour.

Hospitality is responsible for providing receptions for special occasions. In 2007 this has included several funerals of both long-time parishioners and people associated with the parish but only known by a few. The biggest event of the year was the Installation of Mother Mary Kate Schroeder as Rector where we provided not only a soup supper for about fifty people before the service but also provided a champagne and dessert reception after the service where we served about two hundred people. Hospitality also provided the brunch at the annual meeting.

This year we facilitated a parish-wide potluck lunch after Sunday services in both the spring and the fall. At these we provided the meat –ham in the spring and roast pork in the fall – and parishioners provided the side dishes and desserts. The fall luncheon was particularly well attended with about sixty people participating. We hope to be able to continue this tradition.

There are a few people whose help was so consistently outstanding that I would be remiss not to mention their names. Into this category fall Karen De Sousa, Virginia Patterson, Mollie Lee, Ken Biornstad, June Guruswamy, Sidney Goodwin and Jo Baker. If I had to list everyone who had helped participate in the hospitality ministry, the list would probably include most members of the parish. Please know that each and every one of you is very much appreciated. I truly feel that hospitality is a ministry that involves everybody.

Pastoral Care Ministries

Louise H. Alderson

The Pastoral Care Committee meets regularly to keep abreast of the welfare of the members of Saint Aidan's who are in need of attention and/or assistance.

Pastoral Care Activities include:

Distribution of altar flowers and greeting cards to shut-ins

Food Shelf of home cooked meals for parishioners in need during a crisis

Prayer Chain intercessory prayer
Sending greeting cards
Telephone calls and some personal visits

Pastor Care Committee sponsored transportation for residents of senior living facilities to attend Easter and Christmas services this past year. Attendees were treated with Goodie Bags.

Lay Eucharistic Visitors provide the Sacrament to parishioners who are unable to attend church services due to illness or infirmity.

Listening and Visiting in Christ friendly visitors meet with elders in our parish who are not able to attend church.

For more information regarding the Pastoral Care Ministries see the Pastoral Care Ministries flyer.

Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Johanna Ketellapper

The Holy Eucharist is one of the great mysteries of the Christian faith. The HLV are so blessed to bring this mystery to parishioners who are unable to attend church services. In St. Aidan's we have seven licensed HLV who are sent out after the 10 o'clock service weekly or monthly. The HLV are lay men and women trained by deacons from the diocese and licensed by the Bishop. On July 21 a training session was given at St. John's by Susan Dyer and Abby March. Five of our HLV took the opportunity to refresh their skills and Andrew Barker received his license. If you are interested in this ministry please give me a call at 303-666-6636 or the church office at 303-443-2503.

Acolytes, Lectors, and Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Greta Frohbieter

Acolytes, Lectors, and Lay Eucharistic Ministers

The role of acolyte in the Christian Church dates back to the third century, when Pope Cornelius listed the ministry as a "minor order," along with those of lector and exorcist. In the Episcopal Church today, acolytes are lay people who perform a wide variety of liturgical tasks as servers, crucifers, torchbearers, thurifers, and banner bearers. Though adults can and do serve as acolytes, children and youth ages seven and up often fill many of these roles. In 2007, our acolytes were: Diane Arnold, Ian Fraser, Sonia Fraser, Ryan Freedle, Betsy Noecker, Lindy Noecker, Sara Paine, Walker Prieb, Devon Thrumston, and Katie Zak.

Lectors read the appointed lessons from the Old and New Testaments and lead Prayers of the People. Our lectors this year were Sheryl Bain, Troyanne Thigpen Burkett, David Huff, Heidi Huff, Carol Rasmussen, and Rebecca Riedeman.

In addition to reading lessons and prayers, Lay Eucharistic Ministers serve the chalice at communion and assist the clergy at the altar as needed. Serving in this ministry in 2007 were: John Alderson, Andrew Barker, Harvey Burkett, Matt Clark, Joe DeSousa, Ryan Freedle, Greta Frohbieter, Bill Kaempfer, Johanna Ketellapper, Nicholas Lee, Jim Paine, Grace Pierce, and Audrey Ralphs. Anyone interested in joining or learning more about any of these ministries should contact Greta Frohbieter (gretajill@comcast.net).

Reference: The Episcopal Church Online Glossary of Terms
(http://www.episcopalchurch.org/19625_13677_ENG_HTM.htm)

Sound System

Charley Noecker

The church sound system is slowly improving, but in ways that most people may not have noticed. Most important, last year we bought a new mixer board, which combines signals from several microphones and amplifies it for the speakers. I hope it all sounds the same as before, if not better. The main goal of buying the new mixer is to allow the sound system to be operated from either the choir loft or a pew downstairs. Since the early 1990s, it has been located in the choir loft, and that suited me well, as long as I was singing in the choir. But to open this ministry to more people, I wanted to be able to move the mixer downstairs sometimes. This will finally become possible after one more long afternoon of work.

An important initiative for 2008 is to renew our efforts to improve audibility for hearing-impaired members of the congregation. I would like to add some more speakers around the sanctuary and restore or replace the "Assistive Listening Device" (ALD) system. The ALD consists of a radio transmitter and six receivers (i.e., closed-circuit transistor radios), which (once they're working again) will provide headphones with clear audio for those who need additional help. I welcome any comments, requests, and offers of help and funds for such a system. I would like especially a tally of the number of people at each service who would be interested in using it.

Lastly, I would like your help in the sound ministry: 4-6 people volunteering to be trained to operate the system, ideally at both 8am and 10:15am services. I think I can make it about as simple as operating a home stereo. Also, I would like someone to maintain the schedule for these volunteers, so that they can have predictable days when we're counting on their services.

Ushers

Keith Murdock

We currently have a 10:15AM need for 2 ushers each 4th Sunday -- plus a longer term goal to have 2 additional ushers (4 total) for each Sunday.

Ushers are scheduled for one Sunday per month. It's fun!

Usher duties:

- open up
- greet
- hand out pamphlets
- ring bell
- count attendance
- take collection

- guide communicants
- straighten up

- close up

Regular ushers:

Early Service:

Edgar Smith, Remsen Voorhis, Al Moate

Roy & Sharon Kirkman

3rd Sunday:

Buck Frye, Girdo Baker

Late Service

1st Sunday:

Joe DeSousa, Don Pierce

4th Sunday

Sam Maphis, Andy Shaw

2nd Sunday:

5th Sunday:

Sidney Goodwin

In addition, many couples have presented the gifts of bread and wine (*The Elements*) to the altar during the offertory, 10:15 service.

We are always in search of new ushers plus couples to take up elements for Sunday morning liturgies and special services.

Altar Guild	Sidney Goodwin & Marilyn Voorhis
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The Altar Guild prepares the Altar, Sanctuary, elements and vestments for worship services. It also decorates the church for major feasts, such as Easter and Christmas, with help from many parishioners who assist by climbing ladders and hanging garlands and wreaths. It is also involved in set ups for special services like baptisms, weddings and funerals.

The Altar Guild maintains the linens, communion silver, liturgical hangings and candles that are used in various services. Twice a year, before Christmas and Easter, all of the members get together for a “shine and polish day” for all the brass and silver used in the services. It is the Altar Guild’s responsibility and honor to set the Lord’s Table.

The Altar Guild’s income comes from parish members who donate funds for purchasing memorial lilies for Easter and poinsettias for Christmas, as well as an occasional wedding or funeral. With these funds the Altar Guild is able to order new vestments and linens, as needed. In 2007 three new Lay Eucharistic Ministry kits were acquired by the Altar Guild and two new LEM kits were donated in memory of Mary Baker by her family. Thanks to Diane Perry’s efforts, six sets of custom hand-crafted porcelain chalice and paten were also acquired for use in the five new LEM kits.

In late 2006 the florist, Artist’s Three, that had been Saint Aidan’s chosen florist for years decided to close their business. After a search effort was completed in the fall, the Altar Guild is pleased to now have Boulder Blooms as Saint Aidan’s new florist. The Altar Guild would especially like to thank Joy Linfield for her continued dedication as coordinator of Saint Aidan’s Altar flower needs.

Saint Aidan's Altar Guild is a spiritually dedicated team effort. This year Marilyn Voorhis and Sidney Goodwin assumed the responsibility as co-directors. Supplies such as wine, communion hosts/wafers and candles are checked and ordered by Carol Kent and Marilyn Voorhis. Teams of at least two members are assigned to specific Sundays each month or to special services such as weddings and funerals. The following Altar Guild members faithfully served in 2007:

Diane Arnold	June Guruswamy	Michelle Niemann
Gillian Brown	Carol Kent	Carlen Penfold
Harriet Fluent	Mollie Lee	Ann Reese
Mary Ellen Gendreau	Peggy Lewis (new in 2006)	Sue Sassano
		Marilyn Voorhis
Sidney Goodwin	Lola Melendez	

Choir and Music	Scott A. Taylor
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The past year, 2007, welcomed changes for the Adult Choir with the coming of Alex Maynegre as our new organist and Fred Peterbark as our first artist in residence. Since their arrival in August, the singers have continued to focus their efforts into the preparation of weekly anthems and introits, support of congregational singing, special music for Mother Schroeder's installation as rector, and an Advent Lessons and Carols service to ring in the new church year. As of now, the choir is 25 members strong. The choir has shown faithful enthusiasm each week in their ministry to the congregation, to each other, and especially to their student leaders. We look forward to their role in the St. Aidan's recital series once again this spring.

Personnel (25 total)	Bill Perry
Scott A. Taylor, choirmaster	Charley Necker
Alex Maynegre, organist	Kandace Einbeck
Fred Peterbark, artist in residence	Chris Melosche
	Mariah Melosche
Ruth Frye	Brittany Smith
Carol Kent	Katie Gunter
Mollie Lee	Ani Reddy
Carol Rasmussen	Katherine Wright
Anya Zeldina	Kevin Sanford
Jo Baker	Marybeth Sanford
Sheryl Baines	Kylie Sanford
Nicolas Lee	Galen Sanford
Joe Proulx	

Outreach Commission	Sheryl Bain
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Members Sheryl Bain, Chair; Jo Baker, Amanda Byrne, Heather Collins, Fran Evans, Joy Linfield, Anna Northrop, Carol Rasmussen, Jan Sands, Hermann and Betty Trabold, Mother Mary Kate Schroeder, and special helpers Rebecca and Michael Riedeman and Warren Taylor.

Outreach Commission Giving for 2007

International

African Team Ministry	\$ 1,350.00	Support programs in Africa
Kenya Children Foundation	\$ 500.00	Juma's schooling in Nairobi Father Kesner Gracia(Haiti)
	\$ 936.00	ESL summer classes CU
	\$ 2,786.00	18.3% of giving

National

United Thank Offering	\$ 293.30	Episcopal Programs
Episcopal Relief & Development	\$ 617.50	Relief Programs
	\$ 910.80	6% of giving

Diocese

Navajoland from all sources	\$ 3,050.00	Clinic restoration
Mike Demmon Seminarian	\$ 1,000.00	tuition
From outreach & budget	\$ 4,050.00	26.5% of giving

Local

Joy Care (infant/toddler)	\$ 2,500.00	Fencing, accreditation,
Joy Care	\$ 550.00	Scholarships (MKS party)
Flatirons Habitat for Humanity	\$ 500.00	homes for local people
Boulder County Aids Project	\$ 400.00	Support for HIV+ individual
Meredith Clewe	\$ 500.00	Navigators at CU Boulder
Plus congregation giving		
Attention Homes	\$ 1,774.50	Shelter for Boulder teens
St. Benedict's	\$ 1,774.50	Clinic at St. John's for uninsured and underinsured
	\$7,999.00	49.2% of giving

Total giving \$15,747.00

Other Navajoland outreach expense in '07 include:

\$82 for supplies for Lillie's after-school program in Montezuma Creek

Program and food expenses this year of about \$500

In addition, Outreach provides a birthday cake in April for the residents of Terrace Heights. The congregation donated 1,234.9 pounds of food during Loaves and Fishes for EFAA (Emergency Family Assistance Association).

The congregation also provided gifts for a family in the Family to Family Boulder Social Services program during Christmas.

This has been a year of planning and change for our mission work in the Utah corner of the Navajo (Diné) Nation. We fielded a small group of volunteers for our annual spring break trip, so we only offered classes at only one of the usual two towns: Montezuma Creek, Utah. We were blessed with a steady or growing attendance throughout the week. This was the first time we offered an adult Bible study in Montezuma Creek, and the enthusiastic response from the 6-10 adults who attended every day guarantees that we'll do it again.

Also for the first time, we did a small work project, led by Warren Taylor: we painted the exterior of a house about 45 minutes' drive out on the Navajo Nation. The home owners are an elderly couple with few resources. All volunteers, including two preschoolers, had a great time coating the house (and themselves) with paint. We'll definitely be doing this again in 2008, weather permitting.

Even if they weren't my own kids, I'd have to tip my hat to Betsy and Lindy Noecker, who cooked dinner each night for 25-30 people with virtually no adult help. Since we expect to provide dinner in both Bluff and Montezuma Creek in 2008, some additional kitchen volunteers would be useful.

This fall, about ten long-time and new volunteers met to consider where we think God may be leading our partnership over the next three to five years. After conversations with Fr. Ian Corbett, vicar of the Utah region, we went into this session understanding that the most value we can offer while we are in Utah is to continue providing Christian education; we are currently one of only two groups that offer Bible classes in these churches, and by far the most experienced. So our meeting focused on how we could enhance our current program, not whether we should replace it. As we prayed through the four Navajo directions/seasons/ages, many inspired ideas surfaced. The next step in this process is to publicize the list and find people to "own" various activities.

The upcoming mission trip, March 24–30 2008, promises to be a special one, as we say goodbye to Fr. Corbett and hello to the new Utah vicar, Fr. Dick Snyder. We will be teaching some of Jesus' parables, which should resonate well with the Navajos because they also teach by telling stories. Trip plans are still taking shape, but we hope to schedule at least one opportunity to learn from the Diné, such as a talk from a singer (medicine man) about Navajo healing ceremonies or a hike on the reservation led by a Navajo.

If you're interested in learning from and about another culture, if you enjoy children and love the stories of our Christian heritage, if you love to serve, why not come along this spring break? There are openings for volunteers to work both face to face with the Diné and behind the scenes. For more information, contact Carol Rasmussen (303-443-0251 or carol.r@att.net) or ask the person next to you in the pew: more than half of St. Aidan's congregation has participated in this trip.

The mission of the Endowment Fund Committee is to manage and grow the St. Aidan's Endowment Fund in a prudent and responsible manner. We met regularly during 2007 and the members contributed many hours to the cause outside of the meetings.

Members of the committee, appointed by the Vestry for up to six-year terms, are John Alderson, Chairperson; Tom Kent, Treasurer; Bill Perry; Gene Shaw, Vice-chairperson; and Bill Kaempfer. All were active participants during the year. Tom Kent once again did a magnificent job of managing and tracking our many Endowment Fund assets.

We had a very successful year in 2007, accomplishing all of our goals, which were to:

- Control and maximize the return on our investments
- Responsibly manage the fund
- Grow the parish awareness of the Aidan Legacy
- Help other parishes as requested with their Endowment Funds and Legacy Societies

Our investments are under control; the total asset value of the Fund increased from December 2006 to December 2007; we returned \$23,498 to the Vestry in the second quarter as the distribution of 2006 earnings. The Endowment Fund is mandated to distribute interest earned by the Fund investments to the parish Vestry on an annual basis, provided the Vestry requests the money. The final number for interest earned in 2007 will not be known until late in January 2008, but the initial estimate is over \$24,000.

The Endowment Fund Committee and newly-constituted Finance Committee have met and will continue to work together to ensure that all of St. Aidan's investments are safe, properly invested, and accurately managed. A proposal to modify the way Endowment Fund Committee member are appointed and the length of their terms is currently being discussed by both committees and the Vestry.

The Aidan Legacy has 30 members. All of the Aidan Legacy members who wish to be publicly recognized are listed on the memorial plaque in the parish lounge, and are also listed on a memorial plaque at the Diocesan offices. We held a successful "Planned Giving Sunday" on November 11.

A Financial Summary of the Fund will be available at the St. Aidan's Annual Meeting in January 2008. Our goals for 2008 are the same as those for 2007.

The last year has been busy for the youth group here at St. Aidan's. We have been meeting Sunday afternoons from 3:30-5:00. This semester we began to look at how a Christian lives. We studied how to keep Christ the center of our lives, why obedience is important and about the Bible. We have been part of ecumenical youth gathering as well. We meet with several other churches once a month for fellowship and fun.

This semester we had a couple students come to the Genesis Retreat, the Diocesan Youth Retreat. The weekend was fabulous! The speaker, Neil Riley, took us on a trip around the world telling us of his sabbatical trip to the Middle East. The theme of the weekend was the Taste and see that the Lord is Good.

Next semester we are looking forward to moving our meeting times to after the 10:15 service. This will fit in with the students' schedule better and also allow us to meet more frequently. This semester will start off by continuing to look at a Christians life- including prayer, fellowship and sharing the hope Christ has given us. We look forward to another semester of life sharing, Bible study and fun games!

Adult Christian Formation

Bill Sweeney

Mother Mary Kate has led Basic and Inquirer's classes, covering basics of Christian belief.

Bill Sweeney led a series of scripture-based conversations, including readings of the texts of Handel's Messiah, readings of the Resurrection portions of the four gospels, and readings of Acts of the Apostles (which is still continuing).

Nicolas Lee has led studies of two novels: The Brothers Karamazov and The Master and Margherita.

2007 Financials & 2008 Budget (see insert)

Saint Aidan's Episcopal Church
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2007

	<u>Dec 31, 07</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 · Cash-Checking	40,875.75
Total Checking/Savings	<u>40,875.75</u>
Other Current Assets	
1101 · CD - 800764515	18,200.18
1102 · CD - 800764505	59,548.86
1103 · CD - 800962681	95,552.99
1300 · Grocery Certificates	0.00
1400 · Investments	432,244.00
Total Other Current Assets	<u>603,546.03</u>
Total Current Assets	644,221.78
Fixed Assets	
1600 · Church Property and Equip...	1,776,006.37
Total Fixed Assets	<u>1,776,006.37</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>2,420,228.15</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2020 · Special Internal Funds	30,827.74
2030 · Special External Funds	12,900.18
2050 · Payroll Liabilities	7,922.00
2100 · Prepaid Pledges	20,333.45
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>71,983.35</u>
Total Current Liabilities	71,983.35
Long Term Liabilities	
2600 · Notes Payable	131,922.37
Total Long Term Liabilities	<u>131,922.37</u>
Total Liabilities	203,905.72
Equity	
3000 · Net Assets	2,773,817.23
3100 · Unrealized Gains or Losses	98,086.92
3900 · Retained Earnings	-736,013.33
Net Income	80,851.61
Total Equity	<u>2,216,322.43</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>2,420,228.15</u></u>

Saint Aidan's Episcopal Church
Profit & Loss
 January through December 2007

	<u>Jan - Dec ...</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4000 · Contribution Income	229,032.08
4010 · Fundraising Income	6,401.84
4020 · Gifts and Bequests	94,762.43
4030 · Parking Income	64,582.68
4050 · Rent Income	2,095.00
4060 · Interest Income	3,826.01
4070 · Miscellaneous Income	402.55
4080 · EMCUB management agreem...	31,000.00
4100 · Endowment Fund Income	23,397.00
Total Income	<u>455,499.57</u>
Expense	
6000 · Administrative and Operating	213,471.18
7000 · Facilities Expense	124,538.17
7300 · Depreciation Expense	7,499.00
8000 · Ministry & Programs	35,881.25
9000 · Other Expenses	25,144.69
9300 · Loss(Gain) on Disposal of As...	-2,837.18
Total Expense	<u>403,897.13</u>
Net Ordinary Income	51,602.44
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
4023 · Building Memorial Gifts	2,530.00
4024 · Building Gifts	29,549.23
4077 · Pass Thru for Special Activity	21,122.80
4200 · Contributions to Special Funds	26,234.52
5500 · Income on Restricted Funds	619.38
Total Other Income	<u>80,055.93</u>
Other Expense	
7200 · Site Improvement	2,530.00
8720 · Navajoland	2,323.79
8791 · St As Discr -Special Contributi	13,785.00
8793 · Altar Guild Special Contr Expen	1,349.73
8794 · Altar Flower Expense	3,011.00
8796 · Chaplain's Discr -Spec Contrib	4,174.95
8798 · Piano and Recital Expenses	1,709.49
8905 · Miscellaneous Directed Expe...	21,122.80
8906 · Directed Outreach Payments	1,000.00
Total Other Expense	<u>51,006.76</u>
Net Other Income	<u>29,049.17</u>
Net Income	<u><u>80,651.61</u></u>

FUNDS RECEIVED AS MEMORIAL GIFTS IN 2007 FOR:

The Rev. Ray Smith, Fred Calley, Bill Ellwood, The. Rev. Klasing, Jim Yim, Harold Short, Joyce Carson Snider, Glenn Rose Jr., Jim Sacksteder.

Whatever It Takes List 2007 & 2008

Whatever It Takes 2007

*This was a list from the 2007 Annual Meeting. Items in **bold** were accomplished or started.*

- Champion for these events:
 - **Shrove Tuesday supper**
 - Totally Elegant Dinner (or revised version of this event)
 - Advent Wreathmaking Project
- **BIG Banners to put outside that announce**
 - Christmas Worship
 - Holy Week and Easter Worship
 - Sunday Worship
 - Welcome to CU and Students
 - Weekday Parking
- Pictorial Directory
 - a person to take pictures and get the files to Amanda in the office
 - everyone to update membership information
- **All circuits in the breaker boxes labeled**
- List of all priests and deacons offered to the church by the Episcopal Ministry to CU Boulder and St. Aidan's Parish
- **Clear instructions for using the stoves, dishwashers, and kitchen**
- **Instructions for how to manage the heat and thermostats in the church and the building**
- Lots of people with training in Safeguarding God's Children
- **Households to sponsor and welcome students in the fall**
- **A person to oversee grocery certificates for St. Aidan's people to purchase (church gets 5%) and for Habitat**
- Worship Review and Renewal Committee
- **Renewal and redevelopment led by the Holy Spirit.....**
- Lighting for Piano Recitals and Concerts (movable or installed)
- Real Bread used for 10:15am Holy Eucharist
- Outreach to Married and Family Student Housing
- **State of the Parish Forums—every 6 weeks or so?**
- **Parents Nights out for Young Parents**
- **New and Improved Stationery**

Whatever It Takes 2008

This is the beginning of a list of the things we can do.

- Carry over unfinished tasks from 2007
 - Worship Review and Leadership Committee
 - Lighting for Piano Recitals and Concerts
 - Real Bread for 10:15am Holy Eucharist
 - Outreach to Married and Family Student Housing
 - State of the Parish Forums
 - Pictorial Directory
- An event like the Totally Elegant Dinner that is a mission/outreach fundraiser (Canterbury would be my choice), something that gets the parish together and is enjoyable.
- Fellowship Dinners and building on *listening, eating together, learning*
 - Invite 8-10 households to host a dinner, parishioners sign up for a particular date, one dinner happens and a second dinner is scheduled.
- Event or Dinner to honor Legacy Society members
- Community-Wide Event such as a lecture or well-known speaker
 - May intersect with a plan for Canterbury long-range planning
- Lent Evenings on Thursdays: Faith Stories
- Becoming a *Learning Community* which could include lots of things, such as Preaching and Teaching and or Focus Groups on topics such as
 - Membership and Belonging
 - Life and Death
 - Money Management/Education for young adults and students
 - Ethics—practical and helpful ethics for daily living
- Parish Renewal Weekend—such as Faith Alive or other possibility
- Build and Develop Committees and Working Groups as needed and work with committees to do mission according to *Worshipping Christ and shining His light to CU, Boulder and the world.*
 - Worship Leadership and Review (as above)
 - Renew Outreach Committee
 - New members
 - Clarity about mission and purpose
 - Financial disbursement of dedicated funds
 - Hands-on outreach
 - External Communications and Outreach (target audiences etc.)
 - Stewardship
 - Year round stewardship
 - Broaden scope beyond finance to “Stewardship is everything after ‘I believe.’”
 - Governance and Nominating
 - Revise bylaws and articles
 - Standing committee on Governance
 - Leadership development and renewal
 - Parish Care—includes/involves Pastoral Care, Transportation, Meals, etc, and also ways to build connections within congregation
 - Adult Christian Formation (Learning Community as above)
 - Those who are interested in teaching and leading formation opportunities

- Youth and Children development
 - Care for young families
 - Invitations to young families
- Incorporation/Welcoming
- Memorials, History and Columbarium (was part of Art and Architecture)
 - Update honorary placques etc.
 - Awards
 - Pellillo Piano
- Buildings and Grounds (was part of Art and Architecture)
 - Includes deferred Maintenance Projects
 - Includes THE LIST

Minutes of February 4, 2007 Annual Meeting	Amanda Pullaro
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Saint Aidan's Annual Parish Meeting
February 4, 2007

First Order of Business: Thank you for breakfast Gillian Brown, Carlen Penfold, Bev Shaw, Sidney Goodwin

Opening Hymn: Video from Stewardship Conference of home reconstruction in New Orleans included *Nicholas Lee, Warren Taylor, Bill Sweeney

Mother Mary Kate Schroeder opened the meeting at 12 noon after brunch. **Consideration of Agenda and Declaration of Quorum, Senior Warden, Bill Kaempfer.**

- Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes. 2006 Minutes approved by acclamation.
- Bill Kaempfer and Warren Taylor nominated and approved for Senior Warden and Junior Warden.
- Nominations for Vestry: Carol Rasmussen, Sue Sassano, Bill Sweeney elected by acclamation to three year term. No nominations from the floor.
- Nominations for Elections of representatives to Front Range Diocesan Convention. The following people were approved by acclamation: **Barb Williams, Dowell Williams, Donna Colville, Senior Warden Bill Kaempfer, and Junior Warden Warren Taylor.**
- **EMCUB Report** was presented by Jamie Mills and Ryan Freedle. An open invitation was extended to the Parish to attend EMCUB events. Dave Dolph led bible studies since last Spring and continues to do so. Retreat for College Episcopalians in South Dakota. Summer for EMCUB was slow but two students served in internships. Addition of Fred Peterbark as EMCUB Administrative Assistant.
Ryan Freedle: Experiencing a period of transition. Continue to offer strong college Christian development. Offer weekly bible study and theological reflection and weekly worship. Creating an open and welcome environment with Canterbury Lounge. Hope to have continued support of parishioners. Thanked parishioners for their involvement and support of EMCUB.

Mother Mary Kate noted that Ryan Freedle is a Ministry Intern as part of his President Leadership Class. Ryan will be volunteering and working with Mother Mary Kate on projects about 9-12 hours a week.

Vision for Campus Ministry: Hopes we become a congregation that enables discernment among young adults. Discussed restructuring Campus Ministry.

- Mother Mary Kate called for persons to volunteer with the **Congregational Discernment Committee**. Two groups of 10-12 persons are needed to meet regularly to pray and participate in discernment. Training will be required on Saturday March 24th and Saturday April 14th, 9:30am-12:30. Sign-up provided in the Parish Hall.
- **2006 Financials and 2007 Budget, presentation by Donna Colville.** Budgeted Income \$322,500 and actual income \$369,901. Thanked Sidney Goodwin and volunteers for their help in the Office and Bookkeeping during time of transition. Negative variance in Operating Expenses mainly as a result of repairs. Total Cash Operating Expense Budgeted amount: \$345,006/ Actual Cash Operating Expense \$350,782. Donna has set up a small provision for income tax on the portion of our parking income. Net Result of operating activity of \$28,000. Increase in Cash of 10,000 at the end of 2006. Total current assets of 102,848. Total assets of 2,229,934 million. Total Liabilities and Equity \$2,229,933.
Endowment: John Alderson submitted the report and thanked Bal Patterson and Tom Kent for their involvement in the Endowment Committee. Mother Mary Kate Schroeder encouraged parishioners to get a will this year and to plan for the future of Saint Aidan's in it.
- A detailed budget presentation was presented between the 8am and 10:15am services. 2007 Budget: Total Contribution Income: \$214,000 and Total Income of \$314,584. A deficit budget of \$40,711. Donna asked the parish to support the budget and responded to several parishioner questions.
- **Mother Mary Kate Schroeder announced three new initiatives.**
 1. **Congregational Discernment Committee.**
 2. **Lenten Potluck Suppers** on Mondays: Take time to look at our Parish history. Listen, eating together, learning. Mondays February 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26. Bill Kaempfer has offered to cook for two of the above dates. Need volunteers to come and parishioners to attend. In consideration of this event MKS asked that the Vestry meeting be moved to 7:30pm on the February 26th. The supper will plan to start at 6pm. Amanda will provide a sign-up.
 3. **Whatever It Takes List:**
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Big Banners outside, Pictorial Directory, all circuits in breaker box labeled, list of all clergy ever ordained out of this congregation, clear instructions of dish washer and kitchen, instructions of how to use heating system, participate in Safeguarding God's Children, households to sponsor and welcome students in the fall, person to oversee grocery coupon, worship review and renewal committee.

- Mother Mary Kate announced change of 12Noon Wednesday Eucharist. Will now be on the second Wednesday of the month rather than a weekly meeting.
- **Awards and Acknowledgements:**
 - Chaplains Award: Mike and Rebecca Riedeman
 - Buck Frye, Adult Advocate for EMCUB/Treasurer for EMCUB.
 - Young Adult Award: Jennie Carr
 - Retiring Vestry Members: Dick Jevons, Donna Colville retiring from Vestry but continuing on as Treasurer for now. Carol Kent, retiring from Vestry and retiring as Clerk.
 - St. Aidan Award for Lay Leadership-Donna Colville
- **Any other business:**

Next week Jonathan Melton will be visiting for the position of Chaplain. Mother Mary Kate Schroeder, priest-in-charge is serving a three year appointment. First decision is whether or not to invite Mary Kate to take position of Rector. Bill Kaempfer noted that we look forward to a change in title.
- **The meeting was adjourned with a Closing Hymn and prayer.**

St. Aidan's 2008 Recital and Concert Series
presents

David L'Hommedieu, baritone



Programme

<i>An die Ferne Geliebte</i>	Beethoven
<i>The Edge of Dreams</i>	Sowerby
<i>La Bonne Chanson</i>	Fauré

with

Sara Parkinson, piano

Saturday, February 2nd

2:00PM

Saint Aidan's Episcopal Church

2425 Colorado Ave.

Boulder, CO

(across from the CU Engineering Center)