

Sowers of St. Luke's

St Luke's United Methodist Church, Indianapolis, IN

November/December 2009

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Bazaar Successful!

Just So Much To Be Thankful For

A big thank you to everyone who contributed and participated in the holiday Bazaar. Thanks to Mary Lou for setting up, Sue Meyer for coordinating on Saturday and Carolyn for closing on Sunday. I do think we may need to re-think the trees for next year, as we were left with three little ones and one medium size. So I am not sure this is really cost effective. Let me know if you have any strong opinions one way or the other!

And congratulations to Chris, on her photographic note cards of the garden. Not only did they sell out at the Bazaar, but she has been asked to provide some for sale at the Oasis book store! So if you didn't get yours, look for them there.

We all owe Carolyn a huge thank you for how well she manages and maintains the garden. This past Saturday Sue Meyer and I joined her and Jim (with his industrial strength leaf blower!) for a final clean up before the holidays.

And thank you to Nancy who has again volunteered her home for our Christmas dinner get together. Please let her know if you can help (see invitation last page) and plan to celebrate another great year of gardening together.

Looking forward to seeing you on December 13th, Gail

Notes on the Bazaar

Judy Tults reports that so far we have a bazaar profit of \$771.31 though there could be a few more expenses not yet reported.

Garden Notes

Yesterday, Gail, Sue Meyer, Jim and I took in the warm sunshine while giving the garden a good tucking away for the winter. Nancy and I had gone on the spur of the moment earlier and done a lot of cutting back... Jim used his blower to sweep the leaves out of the beds for us and then continued to clean up all the leaves from the row of trees along the parking lot walkway. Rich Potterf was working with someone on the church roof and did not come forth to say they had any other plans for getting the leaves out of the parking lot. We trim locust shoots out of the garden all summer and for a couple of years have picked up their tiny leaves in the fall. Are they honey locust or black locust?

I was prepared to take out the annuals in the front urns and add red dogwood twigs to the golden cypress evergreens that will be there over the winter. The lantana plants came out but I could not pull the red calibrachoa 'superbells' that still add a cascade of color! They are touted to withstand temperatures down to 32 degrees. What a plant! It is good from spring to Thanksgiving. I have bought them for four or five years for their color and low maintenance. They tolerate some shade and look like a densely blooming petunia with a smaller blossom.

We may get some daffodils planted in the garden. Mary Lou jotted out a map last spring to help us know where to place the bulbs. If the weather is right and we can get together we'll do it. If you have bulbs to donate let me know. The dogwood trees did very well this year; they liked the manure mulch added last November and the abundant rains this summer. Sue Meyer had a chance to tidy up the closet in anticipation of



everything getting returned after the bazaar and in anticipation of the plant sale next spring.

I am writing this early morning on Thanksgiving Sunday. We will give up the solitude and convenience of the 8:15 service to attend later and then participate in the dedication Sunday brunch. I anticipate an even greater than usual performance from the choir and Kent will be speaking on contentment. This afternoon we are helping with Christmas decorations in the sanctuary. It's a thrill each year to see how Jim Morrow and the volunteers bring about the yearly transformation to yuletide splendor. We will savor it over the next two months; maybe you will get a chance to bring a visitor to one of the holiday services. Last year I talked with several Sowers and the consensus was that artificial tree we had some years ago for our Chrismon ornaments could be added to the display of trees around the steps to the east balcony. I called him this week and he seemed glad to have a another tree. Carolyn Curry

From the Editor

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Events Calendar

Sun 12/13 5:30- 8:30pm Christmas party
at McPherson's, 171 E 71st St,
RSVP Diane Rice by Dec 10
252-2612 or ladydi7560@yahoo.com

Team Leaders

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Fall Plant Sale	Carolyn Curry	253-2033
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Fri Set-up/Pricing	Mary Lou Curless	574-1772
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Sowers Annual Holiday Gathering

Sunday, December 13, 2009

5:30 - 8:30pm

Hosted by Nancy and Gene McPherson

At 171 E 71st St, Indianapolis

(one block east of stoplight at Meridian and 71st St on South side)

Here we are again - another year has passed. It's time for light food and fellowship! A little different format this year - bring either an appetizer or a dessert according to your last name below (or whatever you want). There will be seating for all but not tables, so bring not-so-messy foods! You will be holding your plate on your lap! Beverages will be provided.

Last name: What to bring:

A-K Appetizers

L-Z Desserts

Bring a 'white elephant' gift to have even more fun - often lots of laughs!

RSVP by Thursday, Dec 10!!

Diane Rice 252-2612 or ladydi7560@yahoo.com

Hostess needs 2 assistants - let Diane know if you're willing:

One to help receive/place foods - be there about 5:20

One to organize White Elephant exchange

There is limited parking available at the house for those unable to walk very far. For the rest of us, look for plenty of space on Washington Blvd which goes along east side of their lot.