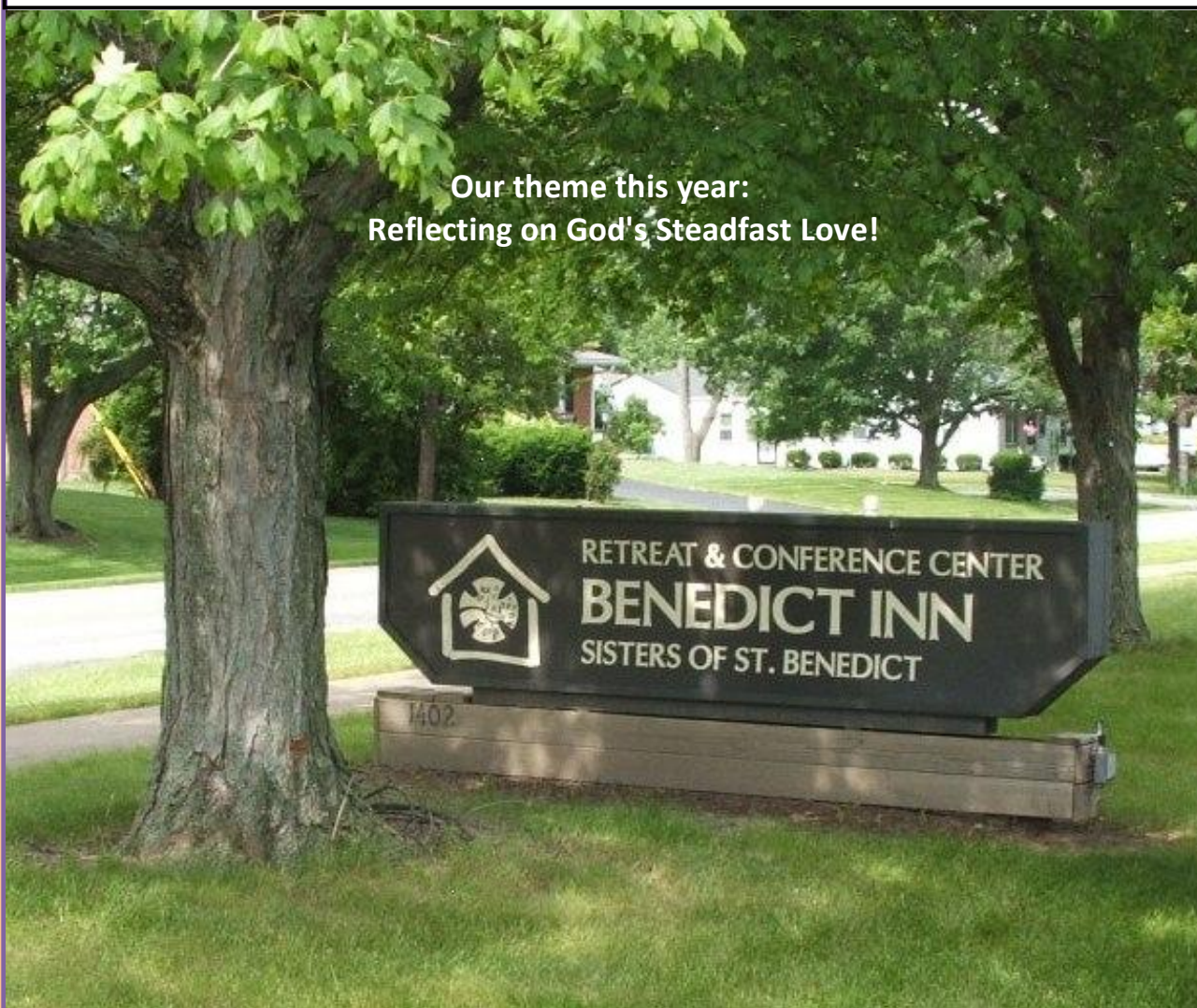


Convocation 2011

Members of the Community of the Gospel met at Benedict Inn & Conference Center in Beech Grove, IN, to celebrate our fourth Convocation. Members arrived on June 13, and returned home June 17.

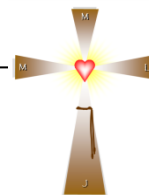


Our theme this year:
Reflecting on God's Steadfast Love!



The Community of the Gospel: (Left to right) Bob Kneepkens, Kay Scarborough, Juan Valles, Br. Daniel-Chad Hoffman, Fr. Tyrone Fowlkes (Chaplain), Br. Daniel-Joseph Schroeder (Guardian), Sr. Margaret Black, and John Westaway.

[Not shown: Rt. Rev. Russell Jacobus (Bishop Visitor), Br. Michael-Gregory Norrie (Deputy Guardian), Br. Gregory Thomas Schumacher, and Katherine Britton.]





...We met four times each day to share the Daily Office.

Our chapel...



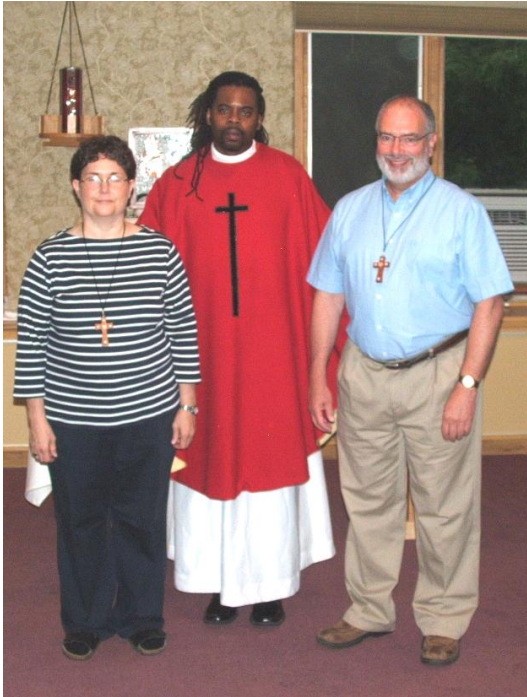
...Sr. Sheila Marie Fitzpatrick, OSB, Director of Facilities, Benedict Inn, helped us to experience true Benedictine hospitality!

An image of the Blessed Mother on the door of the Chapel...



We celebrated new members and renewal of vows...

On Wednesday morning, June 15th, we welcomed two new members, Bob and Kay, at a Mass of the Holy Eucharist, celebrated by Fr. Tyrone, our chaplain. The ceremony took place in the Chapel. CONGRATULATIONS, Bob and Kay!!



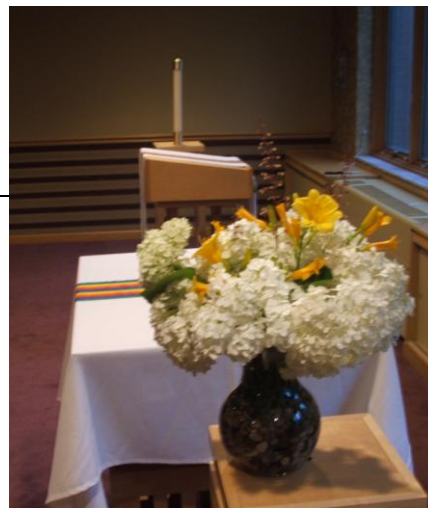
The candidates complete their reception with the signing of the Certificate at the Altar.

We also renewed the vows of our Full Members...

(L to R)
Br. Daniel-Chad,
Sr. Margaret,
Fr. Tyrone, and
Br. Daniel-Joseph

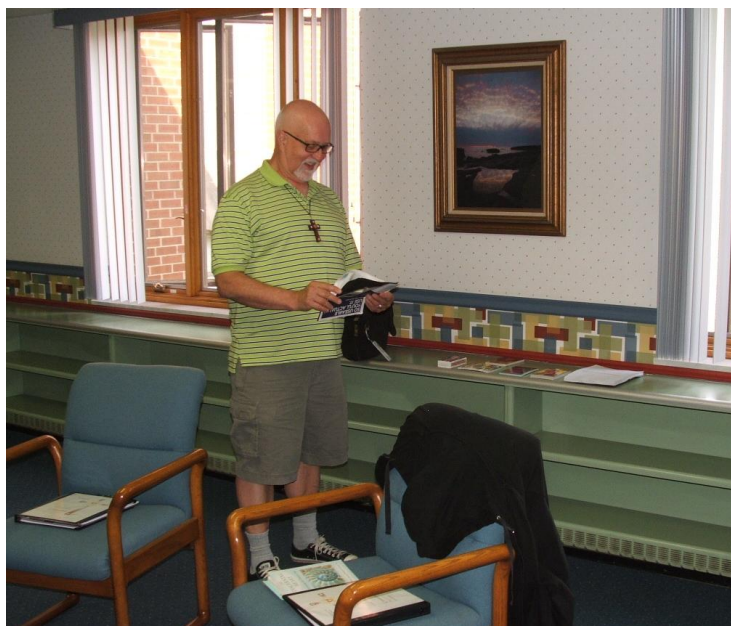


Our Eucharist team,
Fr. Tyrone Fowlkes and
Matthew Stevenson,
a Friend of the Community



We have discussions sessions during the week, too!

A wide variety of topics to broaden our thinking and understanding of God's love: Images of God, Theological Reflections, Stewardship in the Household of God, Mental Health & Spirituality, and the Joy of Hebrew!



Br. Daniel-Chad prepares for his session on
the "Images of God."

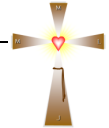


A gazebo for private chats or meditations...



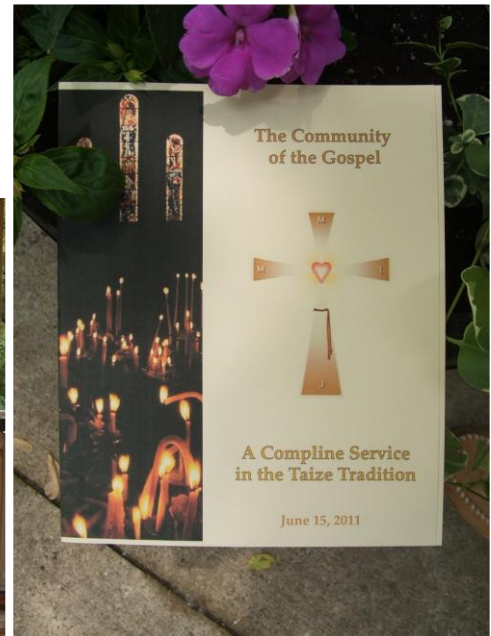


And, there were many informal sessions as well! Theresa Stinson (left), a Friend of the Community, chats with Kay Scarborough and Sr. Margaret.



The Community Experienced a Taize Compline. John Westaway was its designer and Officiant...

John's liturgy bulletin (shown here at the right), led the Community through this contemplative service...



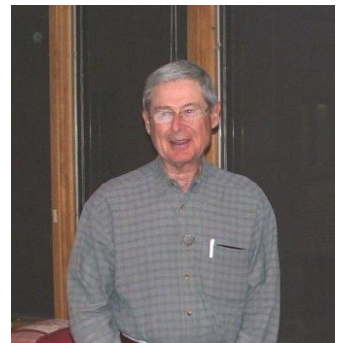
The Associates of the Community of the Gospel...



From left to right with our Chaplain Fr. Tyrone are: Juan Valles, Kay Scarborough, John Westaway, and Bob Kneepkens. (Not shown is Katherine Britton.)



Fr. Gordon Chastain joined us as a guest for some of the sessions...



...a Labyrinth invited meditations.

The convent of the Benedictine Sisters...

