

## Welcome, Doug!

### **Doug Parsons is St. Andrew's new organist and Choirmaster.**

Doug is a Texan born in Tyler into a family of 3 boys and 1 girl. He began piano lesson at the age of 9 and went on to major in music in college. At the University of North Texas he earned both bachelor's and master's degrees in organ performance. While at UNT he met his future wife Madelyn, a very fine flute player. They had two daughters, Virginia, a Navy nurse, and Madeleine, a school teacher. Madelyn died of breast cancer at the age of 41 and he later remarried.

Doug's wife Karen is a talented pianist and organist and is head of the music department at Tarrant County College Northeast and organist at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Keller.

Doug has played the organ for church from an early age and has worked with choir all his adult life. Prior to coming to St. Andrew's, he was Assistant Organist at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Ft. Worth, and Chief Piano Technician, Steinway Hall, Ft. Worth.

During his tenure as a Church organist, Doug has accompanied, rehearsed, and/or conducted several major classical and sacred choral work. He has been instructor of piano, organ and music theory at Tarrant County College NE and has served as piano tuner/technician for the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition.

Doug says that he is honored to lead our Parish in music and to play our fine organ. We are honored to have him do so.



## Game Night

The game night and covered-dish dinner was very successful. Participants enjoyed good food and fellowship playing card and other games. **You are invited to join the next game night on Sunday, August 29, at 6:30. Bring your favorite board or card game.**



## WSA Heirloom Cookbook

The cookbook is nearing completion with over 400 recipes. The recipe collection includes many of our Parish luncheon favorites, treasured recipes from family and friends and new ones that cooks of all ages will want to try.

The recipe collection is complete, the goal for selling ads has been met and it's time now to thank all the ones who have donated recipes, time and skills toward this effort. **Thank you especially to Judy Johnson for organizing and facilitating this project.** Cookbooks will be published and available in time for the holidays. Pricing information is forthcoming.

