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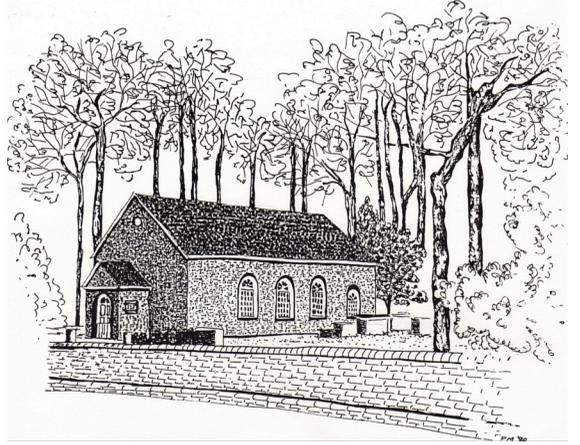
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February
2019

A joy-filled church



Location:

Rt. 33 & 638

Christchurch, Middlesex County, Virginia

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Website:

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Sunday Services:

8:00 AM

A quiet traditional Service of Holy Communion

10:30 AM

A Family Service of Holy Communion
with Music and Choir

The Rev. Stuart Wood
Rector

CCP CORRESPONDENTS

Each of our church committee and organization chairpersons has been asked to submit an article for publication in each of the upcoming newsletters. This is an attempt to keep Christ Church Parish (Episcopal) Middlesex Parishioners informed and up to date. It will be just a bit of what has happened and what's going to happen.

SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

Your 2019 Vestry

New members of the 2019 Vestry were elected at the Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, January 13, 2019. Officers were elected that afternoon and are:

Pam McClelland, Senior Warden (2020)

Jeff Loustaunau, Junior Warden (2020)

Jim Dudley (2019)

Ann Harris (2019)

Steve Richardson (2019)

Mary Jo Atterholt (2020)

Paige Bishop (2021)

Susan Neal (2021)

Miles Libbey (2021)

The Vestry will continue to meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm in the Vestry room located in the Fellowship Hall. To keep the congregation informed, we will have a monthly column in this newsletter.

Automated Telephone Service

Last year, we began using an automated telephone service to contact members of our congregation. This is only used for emergency closings or announcements, as well as reminders about Sunday schedule changes. Many of you returned the form giving permission for us to contact you.

There still appears to be some confusion about the out-of-state phone number that appears when you receive these calls. From now on, the number that will appear is (804) 506-6399 (Henrico). The message will say "Christ Church". We hope this will remove any confusion.

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH 2019 USHER SCHEDULE

	8:00 AM SERVICE	PHONE	10:30 SERVICE	PHONE
January	Gordon White	804-695-4628	Mike Gorin	804-776-7184
February	John Quilter	804-347-0763	Chris Jones	804-445-5108
			Dave South	804-776-6983
March	Barbara Shaw	804-758-1028	Susie Guillotte	804-824-8601
			Bob Guillotte	
April	Gari Sullivan	804-776-9280	Pat Anderson	804-928-1323
			Roland Anderson	
May	_____		Phil Brown	207-801-1282
			Karen Brown	703-472-3470
June	Jim Hill	804-694-7394	Virginia Miller	804-776-7472
			Susan Dugan	808-815-3580
July	Jack Tarran	804-758-0651	Mike Floyd	804-758-4280
			Linda Irwin	941-380-6387
August	Don Harris	804-758-4090	Jack Fackler	804-758-3428
			Cathy Spence	
September	_____		Tom Clark	804-461-8366
			John Hawkins	804-435-7735w
October	_____		Ann Padgett	804-776-6078
			Bob Montague	804-758-2663
November	Paige Bishop	804-776-0168	Thyra Harris	804-824-4304
December	Jody Anglin		Robin Wells	804-832-3849
			Sallie Wells	804-832-5763

***Please contact Thyra for any changes or updates to this schedule:
804-824-4304 (text or call) or Corgyn@verizon.net***

Junior Warden's Report

Editor's Note: Our newly elected Junior Warden, Jeff Loustaunau, sent the email below to a newly formed committee whose members are listed below. This idea was done after consultation with a number of past Juniors Wardens. Although I am not privy to those conversations (nor did I need to be!), I know Jeff has realized the enormity of the job. Being a Naval officer pretty much assures that he is a good manager and as a good manager, he has the essential skill of delegation! As you will note below, Jeff is using words like "draft" and "proposed" which means that I am probably jumping the gun on him, but I feel that this is a significant step that we should all know about and parenthetically, I personally applaud! Just makes sense, doesn't it?

To all,

I have spoken with each of you about helping out with the care and maintenance of the Church and discussed a little bit about how I see us going about it. Since then I have also realized that almost everyone I have spoken to feels that we should have a committee, which in prior years was referred to as a Building and Grounds Committee. So I am proposing we formalize what we have been discussing and call ourselves the Building and Grounds Committee. To that end, I have attached a draft of a committee charter, which states how I see us being organized and how we will work together.

Please know that this is a draft and your comments and suggestion are very welcome. So please take the time to review this charter, think about how it may work for us, and get back to me. At this point, I am going to "assume" that we will be operating as the charter suggests unless we see the need to make some significant changes. And please know that I am not married to these ideas but feel that this method could certainly help me as Junior Warden, and I think help us all, without requiring us (especially me) to "live" at the Church!

Thanks and I welcome your thoughts!
Jeff Loustaunau

pjlous71@gmail.com Phone: 207-469-8454

PROPOSED CHARTER FOR THE BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE

MISSION:

The Mission of the Building and Grounds Committee is to enhance and maintain the buildings and grounds of Christ Church Parish (Episcopal) in a way that supports the mission of the Church, respecting and promoting the historic nature of the Parish, while making it a warm and inviting facility of worship and community outreach for its current and future congregants.

MEMBERSHIP:

The Committee is chaired by the Junior Warden who will coordinate the efforts and activities of roughly six to ten active members.

BIRTHDAYS

Chip Holt	3rd
Joyce Reisinger	5th
Warren Milby	5th
Gari Sullivan	6th
Ann Harris	7th
Art Bunnell	10th
Virginia Miller	16th
Rip Radcliffe	20th
Vel Gray	21st
Sharon Colston	21st
Anne Evans	24th



ANNIVERSARIES

Alvin & Anita Hill	7th
Warren & Vivian Milby	3rd

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Robin Wells, Chairman; Susan Neal, Vestry Rep; Miles Libbey, Vestry member; Bev Hart, Linda Irwin, Jack Hellems, Liz Perkins, Roland Anderson; Mary Lynn Landgraf. Meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 9:30 AM



What do we do?

With a broad stroke, the Hospitality Committee is responsible for making all parishioners and guests feel welcome when they come to our facilities. So, how do we do that?

We cook many of the meals or are responsible for getting them planned, staffed and cooked:

Stewardship Breakfast

Annual Congregational Meeting Breakfast

Lenten suppers (generally there are four)

Major meals like Steak dinner and the Chicken dinner (generally there are two)

Advent suppers (generally there are two)

We hand out mugs to visitors and help them get to the Coffee Hour

We handle "Special Event" receptions (except Funerals) like visiting dignitaries etc.

Movie Night

(We can't take credit for all we cook and eat at Christ Church Parish. The ECW & Brotherhood have a number of events that involve meals that they take care of themselves such as Valentine Breakfast, Pancake supper, summer picnic, monthly Brotherhood breakfasts, Oyster Festival, two fashion shows, Veteran's Luncheon, 2 bake sales.)

Coffee Hour

First, we have a sign in the Great Hall asking all of us if they could volunteer to be responsible for the Coffee Hour for a particular day. We stress that this doesn't have to be expensive or elaborate: some cookies, maybe some grapes or a small cake. Most folks set up as much as possible before the service and come over immediately after communion to finish the set up which includes regular & decaf coffee, water (or lemonade), getting cups, sweetener, cream, etc. out. After the Coffee Hour, it is important to clean up and get rid of the trash. If there is no one signed up, the Vestry has provided some "Emergency" snacks which are in the freezer. So, the first folks over to the Great Hall are asked to get things ready. If you're that person, please ask other (particularly at clean up time) to help. We know that they will!

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Committee Chairperson(s) then submit the article to Steve Richardson at wfufansteve@gmail.com. If a photograph is part of the submission, it must be in “jpg” format.

Articles must be submitted to Steve the **weekend before** the next scheduled publication of the newspaper.

If you have any questions, Steve may be contacted at (804) 363-4053 or through his email.

Newsletter Deadlines from the Editor

In order to get your Newsletter assembled and written (one day +), printed (half a day), folded and mailed (half day), there need to be deadlines in order to get it in your hands as close to the first of the month as possible. The key to this is that it must be in the hands of the Post Office on the last Wednesday of the month.

Who are the contributors? The Vestry and all chairperson of all Christ Church Parish organizations and committees. But you know, everyone can and should be one if there is something that needs to be shared with your fellow parishioners.

NEWSLETTER DATES

Month	Submittal Deadline	Compose date	Print Date	Fold & Mail Date
1	26	28	29	30
2	23	25	26	27
3	23	25	26	27
4	20	22	23	24
5	25	27	28	29
6	22	24	25	26
7	27	29	30	31
8	24	26	27	28
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relatively new. The Vestry established the fund in 2011, I hope you will find these planned giving resources helpful. Please contact me if I can help you. As of December 31, 2018, the Fund balance including earnings and appreciation is \$160,837.66.

Individuals can give through a variety of gift vehicles in addition to cash and securities, including bequests in wills, trusts, life insurance policies, as well as real estate. Imagine years from now, your gift/bequest could underwrite a new organ or, a new church mission. No distribution of earnings, other than to the Endowment itself, can occur until the Endowment totals \$250,000.00.

While the Board feels fortunate that accumulated cash gifts amounting to \$140,946.30 have been received since the fund was established, it will most likely be bequests that will enable the fund to exceed the required \$250,000.00.

To make provisions in your estate plans today can assist our church of tomorrow to fulfill its missions and ministries. What is important to you can live on as your legacy.

From the Diocese—Have you made your will?

About 70% of Americans have no will. Of those that do, about 70% have outdated wills. Without a will, the State will 'make' one for you and you may not be happy with the results.

Now is a great time to make a new or updated will. It's easy to get started. We can provide you with a **free** Planning Your Legacy wills guide. To request a copy email me (Stephanie Gurnsey Higgins) at shiggins@thediocese.net.

Planned Giving Resources

In addition to the wills guide, the [diocesan planned giving website](#) has a wealth of resources. Check out the great [video](#) introduction to wills and estate planning.

Stephanie Gurnsey Higgins

Diocesan Development Officer

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MEET THE NEWCOMER CORNER

As editor of our Newsletter, I thought it would be a good idea to meet our newcomers in a way that would be hard to do at a Coffee Hour after Church. I will be asking all our newcomers to give me some information about who they are and what they have been up to for this monthly article.



Pat and Roland Anderson

We are both RNs. We retired last August and moved to Deltaville from Richmond, VA (after 30 years). We are avid sailors, SCUBA divers, kayakers, and all things water. We had been sailing out of various Deltaville marinas since the mid-1990s, so the area was very comfortable and familiar. Both of us have served as officers of the Stingray Harbor Yacht Club (Pat as Commodore). Roland spends most of his time working in the boat shop at the Deltaville Maritime Museum; Pat loves the YMCA, book club, and Middlesex Library. We both work and cruise on the restored Museum buyboat F.D. Crockett. Pat grew up as an ATT corporate child in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Northern Virginia. Roland grew up in VA Beach, a bike ride from the oceanfront. We attended UVA, both have degrees in Psychology (1974) and Nursing (1977, 1979). Pat was part of the first class of undergraduate women admitted to UVA. Pat retired as Director of Inpatient Services at the Children's Hospital (now part of VCU Health Systems), and Roland retired from MCV (now VCU) as a bedside ICU nurse. We have grown sons (2) living in Richmond, and a daughter in Alexandria—no grandchildren.

Editor's note: The Anderson's have certainly jumped right into Christ Church Parish life as newcomers. They both joined the RAM (Remote Area Mission) mission to western Virginia basically after one visit. Thanks to the Hilliard's and Jean Holt for getting them involved. They have both joined committees and are active. If you haven't met the Andersons yet, stick your hand out and greet them!

Worship Committee

Grace Parker, Chairperson; Fr. Stuart Wood, Rector; Pam McClelland, Vestry; Dave Wilcox, Steve Richardson, Jane Bunnell, Thyra Harris

The Worship committee has set the main service calendar for 2019:

March 3	Bishop Visit
March 6	Ash Wednesday—service at noon and 6: PM
March 20	First Wednesday Supper and Lenten program
March 27	Second Wednesday Supper and Lenten program
April 3	Third Wednesday Supper and Lenten program
April 10	Fourth Wednesday Supper and Lenten program
April 14	Palm Sunday
April 18	Maundy Thursday
April 19	Good Friday
April 20	Easter Vigil
April 21	Easter Sunday
June 9	Pentecost
November 3	All Saints Day
November 28	Thanksgiving Day
December 1	First Sunday of Advent
December 24	Christmas Eve
December 25	Christmas Day

Lay Eucharistic Visitor Training

A training session for Jean Holt, Pat Anderson, Dave Wilcox, Sharon Colston, and Grace Parker was to be held on January 26th.

Celtic Services

We will schedule five services to be held during Fall, Advent, Epiphany, Lent, and Pentecost during the evening. Funding for the musicians will come from our budget and individuals. Fr. Stuart will meet with the musicians in February. The committee agreed to staff the nursery with trained volunteers. ¹⁰