



TIDINGS

The Newsletter of Christ Church – St. Michael's Parish (Episcopal)

August 2013

The Third Annual “Green Dinner” *Sustainable, Healthy & Eco-friendly Eating*



On Friday evening, August 23rd at 6 PM, the Environmental Issues Committee invites you to, yet another, very special meal in Etherton Hall to explore ways in which we can eat more sustainably and celebrate the bounty of our Eastern Shore. As we share the meal we will be: 1. Supporting local farmers; 2. Reflecting on the diversity of plants in our area; 3. Reducing our carbon footprint; 4. Eating sustainably and organically to reduce pesticide use; 5. Sharing the bounty of God's earth as a spiritual experience; and 6. Giving thanks to our Creator for the amazing gifts of the Chesapeake region. Plan to share your own special dish at this event. Beverages will be provided.

A-H Entrée I-R Salads and Appetizers S-Z Desserts

Labor Day Weekend: Combined Service *Sunday, September 1st at 9:00 AM*

Question: *Who sits in “your” pew during the “other” service?*

Answer: *Join us at 9 AM on September 1st and find out.*

On Sunday, September 1st we offer our semi-annual combined service of an annotated/instructed Holy Eucharist. This is a wonderful opportunity for those parishioners who have been attending the 8 AM service and those who have been attending the 9:30 AM summer service to come together for an all-parish gathering of Holy Eucharist. A very special “Lemonade on the Lawn” follows the service.

Save-the-Dates

September starts with a flurry of activity, so mark these dates now:

Sunday, September 8th
**Program Year Begins: Coffee Hour
& Christian Formation Resume**

Sunday, September 15th
“Kirkin of the Tartans” at 10:15 AM

Sunday, September 22nd
Fall Harvest Dinner at 5 PM

“Back to School” Summer Outreach & Wider Mission Project



On July 14th we launched our annual summer outreach project to benefit students in need at St. Michaels Elementary, Tilghman Elementary and the St. Michaels Middle/High Schools, where more than 35% of the student population lives below the poverty level. Last year “Back to School” raised over \$15,000 to assist with school supplies, field trip fees, and other expenses. Donations, as well as volunteers, are needed to assist in this effort. Our delivery date for the supplies is August 26th.

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Office Hours: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Monday-Thursday
Weekly Service Schedule:
Morning Prayer – 9:00 AM Mondays through Fridays
Holy Eucharist (Londonderry) – 1:30 PM 1st & 3rd Thursdays
Sunday Services: 8:00 AM & 9:30 AM

Submissions to the *TIDINGS* monthly parish newsletter are due on the
10th of the previous month

Please email items for publication to
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located at the parish house

Newsletter editor: Peter Houck



Learning the Way

As Mark reminded us in a recent sermon, being Christian isn't just about being a nice person. If we doubt that the Church is traditionally about learning to be good citizens or friendly neighbors or kind people, we need look no further than the powerful witness of people like Corrie Ten Boom, William Wilberforce or Martin Luther King, Jr., -- or the many, many early Christians who chose the harder, and at times life-threatening path of living the Christian way over the safety of remaining Jewish or of worshipping Roman deities. They all sought to live fully the teachings of Jesus.

For the early Christians, claiming Jesus as “the way” meant not so much believing in him as God's son as believing what he had to teach them about God. What he taught -- about God, about life, about themselves, about what matters most -- rang true and was life-giving. How he lived, what he paid attention to, whom he spent his time with, and where he found hope invited them into a path of transformation. For so many, an encounter with Jesus was life-changing. It set them on a new path of understanding regarding what it means to be human and what it means to be beloved of God.

The transformation Jesus invites is a lifelong endeavor. Following Jesus' departure from this earthly plane, those who knew and loved Jesus gathered to remember him, to remember his words and teachings, to sing songs about him and about God, to pray and to provide mutual support for the journey of transformation. They understood, and more importantly, experienced the presence of Jesus as they did so. The primary confession of “Jesus is Lord” manifested itself in profoundly different ways of being together. For some, terms such as “Messiah” or “Son of Man” communicated the profound experience of encountering Jesus. For others, the term “Son of God” was used, referencing pagan religious beliefs that one who worked miracles was divinely endowed.

Different groups figured out different ways to pass on the teachings and the wisdom of Jesus -- the folks in Jerusalem one way, the folks in the Galilean countryside, another. And when gentiles came to learn, still other ways of teaching and remembering were created. They did what was needed in order to teach others of the ways of Jesus -- the ways of living and relationship that created space for God. Space within for God. Space between people, for God to dwell. All those little ways -- the way of Jerusalem and the way of Galilee and the way of Ephesus, were all to serve a larger way -- the Way of Jesus.

In these 21st century times of rapid cultural change, we Christians are called again to figure out how to tell the story of God in ways that are faithful to the teachings and wisdom and practices of Jesus. We are called, as other generations have been called, to learn what it means to follow the Way and to live with Jesus as the Lord of our lives. Challenging? You bet! Exciting and life-giving? How could it be otherwise? In the coming academic year, you are invited to join the conversation as we explore, through a variety of programs, the wisdom and ways of Jesus. And like those first century Christians, we do so in the trust that the Spirit will once again give life to the ancient story of Jesus, in a way that is unique and life-giving to the gathered community of Christ Church, St. Michaels.

-- Lynn+



Nostalgia in a Data-Driven Age

A few years ago the new treasurer for a non-profit board upon which I served began his remarks with this statement, “At Exxon we had a saying, ‘In God we trust, all others bring data.’” It was good for a laugh and illustrated the point that even in the non-profit world, numbers matter. Perhaps more than many other clergy, I spend a great deal of time looking at numbers. I was an economics major, with a master’s degree in international political economy. Prior to enrolling in divinity school at age 32, I spent my time as a naval intelligence officer, a financial analyst, and a banker. Numbers and data were my friends and can be important tools. They can hold in check notions toward nostalgia and anecdotal observations.

Many of us operate on the assumption that the role of the church and Christianity is waning in American society. This may be true. We also operate on the belief that since the founding of our country, if not the founding of the Holy Roman Empire, the Christian church was central to personal and public life. It seems that this is not true.

According to an Alban Institute article titled, “Being Church Today,” the numerical height of mainline Protestantism (think Methodists, Lutherans, Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Episcopalians) was 1965. That was the year that the largest percentage of Americans affiliated with and attended church. So, the highpoint of church attendance was the mid-1960s; not 1776, when we declared our independence from England, or 1861, when a bloody Civil War erupted within our country. The height occurred in the midst of war in Vietnam, the inauguration of Medicare and Medicaid, and the year that *A Charlie Brown Christmas* first aired on CBS, and Julie Andrews was singing “Do-Re-Mi” on theatre screens in *The Sound of Music*. In effect, the height of church participation in our country occurred in our lifetime. Yet even in this highpoint of church membership, the Presbyterian Church published the work of a task force reporting that at its numerical height, 73% of their churches had fewer than 250 members, and 44% had fewer than 100 members. So, it seems that even in our glory days, the majority of our churches were small. That was especially true in rural areas like our own, places that never experienced the population booms of the 1950s and 60s.

One of the t-shirts sold at Old Boys rugby tournaments reads: “The Older We Get the Better We Were.” If you couple this sentiment with folk singer Billy Bragg’s lyric, “Nostalgia is the opium of the age...,” then we get a sense of how this change in our social location from the center of culture towards the periphery has clouded our vision. As mainline Protestants, we are still working through our fixation with numerical decline, which also began in the mid-1960s. What does it feel like to no longer be the popular kid in class? One unhelpful response to our changing circumstances has been the creation of an unrealistic mental picture: once we were the great and glorious church, but now we are doomed to the dustbin of history. This thinking, of course, keeps us from seeing the ministry right in front of us. It can cause us to confuse our former popularity and status in the culture with being the church of Jesus Christ. Nevertheless, numbers and data do tell a story -- less power, less money and fewer numbers will shape the church’s ministry.

That said, bemoaning declining church attendance and budgets does not offer a prophetic word to the church. But, as the Alban article states, paying closer attention to people and places and speaking out about who people are and why they are created carries with it genuine transformation. When all is said and done, by whatever form we worship God through Jesus Christ, our mission is to spread the truth that human beings always have and always will belong to God.

--Mark Nestlehutt

Reminder: the *Tidings* newsletter is also available on line at the new Christ Church website.

PARISH LIFE

Aug. 23rd: the Third Annual Green Dinner

The Environmental Issues Committee invites the entire congregation to the Third Annual Green Dinner at Etherton Hall on Sunday, August 23, at 6:00 pm. As we share this meal together, we will be:

1. Supporting local farmers;
2. Reflecting on the diversity of plants in our area and learning to eat fewer animal products;
3. Reducing our carbon footprint by preparing dishes that do not require transport from long distances;
4. Eating sustainably and organically to reduce pesticide use;
5. Sharing the bounty of God's earth with one another as a spiritual experience; and
6. Giving thanks to the Creator for the amazing gifts we have in the Chesapeake Region.

Come and share your special dish at this event. Wine and nonalcoholic beverages will be provided. Please bring:

A - H -- Entree (vegetarian or farm-raised meat or poultry);

I - R -- Salads and Appetizers;

S - Z -- Desserts.

This event was organized by the Rev. Lynn Hade, Margie Steffens, Linda Norris, Lynn Freeburger and Louise Woods.



Scenes from the June 3rd Annual Parish Picnic -- Photos by Bud Keiser



More Scenes from the Annual Parish Picnic:



Views of Pentecost Sunday, May 19th -- Photos by Elizabeth Foulds



Left: Pentecost recognition of parishoners who served in the church school during the 2012-2013 school year.
Right: a view of the 10:15 service from the balcony.

Back to School: With Gratitude and Appreciation... -- Judy Sandground

PARISH & COMMUNITY LIFE

“You have made such a difference in so many lives with the Back to School program.”

“The backpacks you sent last year for the middle and high school were filled with so many needed supplies; they were a big hit with the students.”

“This is such a gift – we don’t know what we would do without it.”

“Thanks to the insurance that you fund, all our high school students are able to take their laptops home with them.

“So many of our families are struggling.”

“This program makes it possible for many students without means to participate in all activities.”

These are just some of the comments we heard as we spoke with school administrators from St. Michaels Elementary, Tilghman Elementary,

and St. Michaels Middle & High Schools. They also told us that they expect enrollment to increase for the 2013/2014 school year and that poverty levels are still high.



Back-to-School Volunteers in 2012 – Photo by Paul Janson



Last year there were 42 students at Tilghman, 153 students at St. Michaels Elementary and 146 at SM Middle & High Schools who qualified for free or reduced price meals and were living at or below the poverty level – that is 341 children who benefited from the backpacks, school supplies and checks for fees, periodicals and 6th grade yearbooks that our parish donated. We estimate that for the coming year, 400 students will need our support.

Left: just one of the well-stuffed backpacks assembled by Christ Church volunteers in 2012. (Photo by Paul Janson)

We are happy to report that we have accumulated a wonderful surplus in our bank account all because of your generosity over the years: each year we have exceeded our fundraising goal. Part of this surplus has given us the flexibility to address unanticipated needs. For example, last fall we were asked if we could support the reading program at SMES because their traditional source was unable to help. Then this spring, we assisted with funding the weekend food Care Packs at St Michaels because their fundraising was not adequate to cover expenses. While we need a surplus each year so that we have funds to support our summer shopping, our surplus has grown to such an extent that we are in a position to reduce our goal for this year to \$8,000.)

In addition to financial donations, so many of our parish (32 last year) volunteer to shop, transport, pack and deliver the supplies. When we are in the schools, it is obvious that the students, teachers and administrators are very grateful for your support. Please look for the student notes posted in Etherton Hall and for the thank-you art in the Church. Thank you for making these wise investments in the children of our community. Checks to Christ Church with “Back to School” on the memo line are needed and very much appreciated.

View of the Combined Gospel Choir at the June 23rd Tent Service

Photo by Jim McCloud



CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Christian Formation for Children -- Lee Thomas



at the 10:15 service July 14th. They were the Burgers' granddaughters Liana and Phoebe Dillon on the left, and the Wasdykes' granddaughter Lily Warne. Photos were made by author.

Much like the annual migration of the geese, our church school children seem to have gone away for the summer. I'm sure they're enjoying all of the activities that are available during the summer – swimming, sailing, kayaking, travelling, camps, etc., but we miss them. Luckily, we have occasional sightings, sometimes of visiting faces, and some familiar. We're looking forward to the return of the flock in September. The church school year will begin on Sunday, September 8th!

Coming in September: Mid-Week Adult Christian Formation: Saving Jesus Redux

For the past several years we have offered a variety of programs that endeavor to help us to grow and mature as Christians-what we speak of as Christian Formation: the *Disciples* courses, *DOCC* and, more recently, *Living the Questions*. Earlier this year we began another new program that is based on the model of the successful *Living the Questions* series. *Saving Jesus Redux* is a 12-session DVD-based small group exploration of how we may understand Jesus in our own time. Presenters include: Diana Butler Bass, Brian McLaren, Amy-Jill Levine and Robin Meyers, among others. This fall, beginning in September, we are offering *Saving Jesus Redux* in two six-week units. The programs are co-facilitated by Chris Whyman and Mark Nestlehatt. For more information or to register, please email or phone the Parish Office.

Unit Two: Monday Evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Beginning on Monday, September 23rd

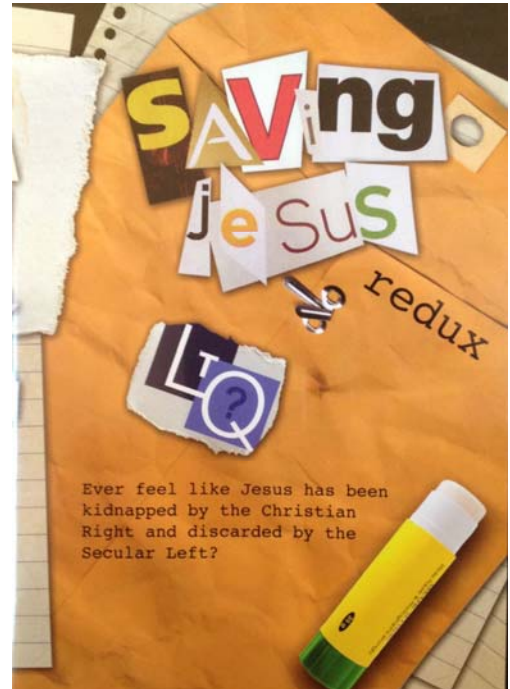
- 9/23 - Jesus' Program: The Kingdom of God
- 9/30 - Jesus' Ministry of Compassion
- 10/7 - *No meeting (Rummage)*
- 10/14 - *No meeting (Columbus Day)*
- 10/21 - Who Killed Jesus?
- 10/28 - The Atonement
- 11/4 - The Resurrection of Christ
- 11/11 - *No meeting (Veterans Day)*
- 11/18 - Why Jesus is Worth Saving

Unit One: Tuesday Mornings from 10:30 AM - 12 Noon

Beginning on Tuesday, September 24th

- 9/24 - Jesus through the Ages
- 10/1 - Who Was Jesus?
- 10/8 - *No meeting (Rummage)*
- 10/15 - What Can We Know About Jesus (and How)?
- 10/22 - The World into which Jesus Was Born
- 10/29 - Jesus' Birth: Incarnation
- 11/5 - Teachings of Jesus: Wisdom Tradition

CHRISTIAN FORMATION



Coming in September -- Sunday Morning Christian Formation for Youth: re:form

For the past several years our youth program has consisted of monthly and occasionally semi-weekly outings and social service projects. Given the large number of rising sixth graders moving into Youth Group this year, coupled with other rising seventh and eighth graders, beginning in September we will be offering a Sunday morning discussion-based youth program targeting middle-school and younger high school youth. The program is **re:form**; it uses a DVD format to generate discussion and meets from 9:15 to 10:00 am. Stay tuned for more details!

Youth Group: Acolyte End-of-Year Outing to Six Flags, Tuesday, June 11th

On Tuesday, June 11th, twenty-six of our parish acolytes and chaperones traveled to Six Flags for a full day of amusement park rides and water slides. All children and youth in grades four and above are invited to serve as acolytes. For more information, please speak with Sparrow Rogers, Ann Roe or one of the clergy.

Right: the 2013 Six Flags youth contingent.



More Photos from Six Flags:

CHRISTIAN FORMATION



Above left are future acolytes Logan Rogers and Honor Nestlehutt with Sparrow Rogers; **above center**, Logan Rogers is ready to take flight on the Swings ride. **Above right**: Chris and Will Newberg, Logan Rogers, Honor Nestlehutt and Isaiah Whyman celebrate their rambunctious rides in bumper cars. Sparrow Rogers contributed the photos above. **Below**: Asa Nestlehutt, Mimi Sanford, Lucy Morris, Lexi Clark and Lane Clark posed for a pre-coaster-boarding portrait made by Alison Sanford.



Disaster Preparedness Update – Linda Norris

The Christ Church disaster committee, consisting of Bob Holden, Tom Mendenhall and Linda Norris, has met with our clergy liaison, Lynn Hade, to start updating the Disaster Plan that was developed in 2012. We are working on how to proceed with the next big steps. For those of you who have already agreed to be part of a disaster plan implementation process, it may take some time before we are ready to need your help to develop the details of actions plans.

Right: Hurricane Isabel's aftermath: an aerial view of some Bay shore homes on Sept. 19, 2003, the day after Isabel struck. Photo courtesy of the *Baltimore Sun*.



745-9076 ext. 301. **Above:** A small part of the damage inflicted by Hurricane Sandy on Oct. 29, 2012. Photo courtesy of aolrealestate.com.

Parishoners should keep in mind that the church's role is to help educate our members to be prepared, assist with pastoral care and neighborly assistance, and not to perform rescues. Everyone's first call in an emergency should be to 911. We are, however, working on ways that the church could be a useful resource.

We invite anyone who believes he or she might need the church's assistance during a weather emergency to e-mail or call Carol Osborne at Carol@christstmichaels.org. or 410-

In the meantime, we are now in hurricane season, and everyone should have a plan for addressing situations that might arise. If we are ordered to evacuate for a hurricane, you should know that the whole Bay Hundred area will be evacuated to Easton. Easton does have a plan for managing some pets who are in a portable kennel/carrier. Please plan to bring your pets' food and medication and be available to attend to your pets' needs. We should also be aware that texting is the most efficient way to communicate during times of high-volume calling, such as occurs during a hurricane.

It is a good idea to always keep your gas tanks at least half full and have enough stored food, water and medicines on hand to last for at least 3 days. For details of steps you should take to best prepare for an expected weather emergency and how to respond once a disaster has occurred, please visit Talbot County Emergency Management at www.talbotcounty.gov. Click on Public Safety and then Emergency Services.

Right: A scene in St. Michaels following the blizzard of Feb. 10, 2010, which partially paralyzed the community and left 17-20 inches of snow on the Eastern Shore.



CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Docents' Guild – Linda Makosky

The Docents' Guild welcomes and introduces three new docents!



Terry Fulton remembers the first Christ Church service she attended, because it was Labor Day weekend, 2011. Terry and her husband Jim had arrived by boat and were detained in town by tropical storm Lee long enough to discover Christ Church and fall in love with St. Michaels. Terry describes herself as a "chatty introvert." In her previous church in McLean, Virginia, Terry had served in many roles. She was immediately struck by how much Christ Church is like her former church, although here on a larger scale.

"The church is led by dynamic clergy and many active lay people who demonstrate a deep commitment to meeting the needs of the community." As a new parishioner here, she "wanted to begin contributing in a small way by becoming a docent." Regarding her recent first docent shift, she commented that she enjoyed meeting the various visitors and was not worried about answering their questions, because she knew she could find the answers in her Docents' Handbook.

Pat Lowe is making time for docent service during weekend escapes to a new home near St. Michaels. She and her husband Harry spend weekdays running their business in Rockville. In late fall of 2010 they moved into their new house, but a leak in the sprinkler system kept them out for many months. Now they are comfortably settled, and Harry regularly shepherds their young grandson to Church School.

What moved Pat to consider becoming a docent? It was a sermon by the Reverend Mark in which he encouraged parish members to support the church, not just by their financial offerings, but also by joining in our various service activities. The concept resonated with Pat, who, even as a newcomer could find a way to contribute. She is looking forward to carefully examining the church interior using her handbook to prepare for her first shift.



Dr. Lane Wroth is no stranger to local residents, having practiced medicine here for many years. His family has had a home here "since the thirties," he says, in a part of St. Michaels then called "Thicket Field." He remembers summer holidays of his childhood, when his father, a minister in northwestern Pennsylvania, would bring the family to this area for the month of August. His ancestors in the Kent Island region go back to 1650!

Retired since last July, Dr. Wroth sees Docent service as a way to stay active and enjoy interacting with the many visitors to Christ Church. For an introduction to a typical docent shift, scheduler Lillian Watts arranged for him to shadow Docent Peggy Rogers on her regular day. Coincidentally, they had shared the back row pew in past years.

New volunteers to the Docents' Guild are always welcome. Please call Lillian Watts at 410-745-9999 or email her at lilliw@atlanticbb.net to get started.

More CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Episcopal Church Women -- Rethinking and Renewing ECW at Christ Church -- Judy Sandground

Episcopal Church Women has a long and rich history in the Episcopal Church. The group was first organized as the Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions at the 1871 General Convention. Centered in local parishes and dioceses, the organization provides an opportunity for spiritual growth, service and education to all women.

Here at Christ Church, our ECW is a major contributor to our outreach -- raising approximately \$23,000 last year through our Rummage Sales and our Christmas Bazaar. Proceeds from these events are donated to organizations supporting children, families and the elderly such as Critchlow Adkins Child Care Centers, St. Michaels Community Center, Camp Wright, The Bay Hundred Foundation, St. Michaels Youth Law Enforcement (SMYLE), Dixon House, Habitat for Humanity, and the Food Pantry. Many in our parish -- men and women -- volunteer to participate in Rummage Sale and the



in September 2011.

Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts by answering the four questions on the following page. Don't be afraid to be honest. We need to understand the needs of ALL the women of our parish in order to best serve our community. Results of the survey will be published in the fall.

Before September 1, please complete and mail or take the survey on the next page to:

Carol Osborne -- ECW Survey
103 Willow Street
P.O. Box S
St. Michaels, MD 21663

You may also e-mail your survey responses to carol@christstmichaels.org. Please include "ECW Survey" on the subject line.

Bazaar. In addition to these events, ECW meets the second Tuesday of each month for lunch, socializing and a presentation. While participation in our fundraising events has increased, over the past year attendance at the monthly meetings has been declining. This has prompted the Board of ECW to seek suggestions for change.

In March, a group gathered to share their ideas for reinvigorating our ECW. Of the many wonderful suggestions, one was that we should ask EVERY WOMAN IN OUR PARISH -- whether they attend ECW meetings or not -- to provide their input. We recognize that some changes need to be made and we would like your help. **On the left:** the ECW's annual card party

Christ Church ECW Survey

Your Name (Optional but helpful if we have questions)

1. Do you attend ECW? Check one: Yes ____ No ____

2. If you answered yes to question 1, please finish the following sentence: I attend ECW because...

3. If you answered no, please complete the following sentence: I do not attend because...

4. I would be motivated / more motivated to attend if

Thank you for completing this ECW Survey. Your comments are very important to us. Please take the completed form to Carol Osborne in the Church Office or mail it to Carol Osborne – ECW Survey, 103 Willow St. P.O. Box S, St. Michaels, MD 21663. You may also e-mail your survey responses to carol@christstmichaels.org. Please insert “ECW Survey” in your e-mail’s subject line.

August Birthdays, Anniversaries and Entries in Parish Register

Birthdays

8/1	Alastair Donald, Rhonda McNamara, Martha Nelson	8/19	Bill Corba, Skip Knowles, Richard Turnbull
8/4	Nance duPont, Harry Hause, Louisa Parkinson	8/20	Don Buxton
8/5	Arianna Campi, Sophia Esposito, Lily Sanford, Sherry Sutton	8/22	Joni Doolin
8/6	Thomas Nigra	8/23	Dale Hanlon
8/7	Christopher Sickles	8/24	Duke Blythe, Mike Clark
8/9	Carol Armstrong, Bill Ginder	8/25	Thomas Knight
8/14	William Clark	8/26	Lane Wroth
8/15	Beth Eckel, Wendy Turnbull	8/27	Jim Hanlon, Kathyryne Middleton
8/16	Brandon Kerrigan, Esther Ziegler	8/28	Jack Magee, Kim Weller
8/17	Jack Shannahan, Mary Len Trippe	8/29	Edgar Nash, Finn O’Neill
8/18	Mary Hyatt, Ann Loflin	8/30	Sophia English, Asa Nestlehutt

Anniversaries

8/10	Hans & Rachel Gruenberg	8/21	Harry & Judy Hause
8/15	Jim & Frances Maffitt	8/26	Tom & Cathy Mendenhall
8/16	Wally & Joni Doolin	8/28	David & Claudia Frantz
8/17	Jonathan & Jessica Morris; Myron & Sara Walker	8/29	Bob & Joanna Holden; Thomas & Jane Nigra
8/18	Al & Margaret Naeny	8/31	Bill & Marylou McAllister
8/20	Gary & Pooh Clarke; Jim & Linda Montague		

From the Parish Register

Baptisms: Silvia Joy Meneses-Vaughn, June 9, 2013 **Weddings:** Karen Jean Gregg & David Mitchell Carty III, May 18, 2013
Scarlet Elizabeth Stuart, June 23, 2013 Katherine McCallum Schaeffler & Samuel Major, June 15, 2013
Nathan Ryan Wright, June 23, 2013 Emily Brooke Miller & Daniel Santiago Gonzalez, June 29, 2013
Burial: Neil Carl Lindeman, November 20, 1934 – June 23, 2013

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning Prayer Monday – Friday 9 AM				1 1:30 PM Holy Eucharist at Londonderry 4 PM Disaster Preparedness Meeting 8 PM AA Meeting	2 Office Closed 8 AM – 4:30 PM YMCA Camp	3 11 AM Ella Sherman Internment
4 11 Pentecost 8 AM Holy Eucharist 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist 10:30 AM Lemonade on the Lawn	5 6:45 AM 'Bridges Out of Poverty' Breakfast	6 2:30 PM Staff Meeting 6 PM Bell Choir Practice	7 9:30 AM Welcome Committee Meeting 11 AM Book Discussion 4 PM Bridges Reading & Discussion	8 8 PM AA Meeting	9 Office Closed 8 AM – 4:30 PM YMCA Camp	10 Deadline for Tidings War of 1812 Celebration
11 12 Pentecost 8 AM Holy Eucharist 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist 10:30 AM Lemonade on the Lawn 11 AM Worship & Music Meeting	12 6:45 AM 'Bridges Out of Poverty' Breakfast 4 PM Pastoral Care Team Meeting 5 PM Stephen Ministry Supervision	13 2:30 PM Staff Meeting 6 PM Bell Choir Practice	14 11 AM Book Discussion 4 PM Bridges Reading & Discussion	15 1:30 PM Holy Eucharist at Londonderry 4 PM Grants Committee Meeting 8 PM AA Meeting	16 Office Closed 8 AM – 4:30 PM YMCA Camp	17
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25 14 Pentecost 8 AM Holy Eucharist 9:30 AM Holy Eucharist 10:30 AM Lemonade on the Lawn 12 PM – 4 PM Back-to-School Packing	26 6:45 AM 'Bridges Out of Poverty' Breakfast	27 2:30 PM Staff Meeting 4 PM Christmas in St. Michaels Board Meeting 6 PM Bell Choir Practice	28 11 AM Book Discussion 4 PM Bridges Reading & Discussion 7 PM Chancel Choir Practice	29 8 PM AA Meeting	30 Office Closed	31

Ministry Areas of Christ Church



Finances for Six Months Ended June 30, 2013

Revenues

Actual – Current Month	\$ 39,366	
Budget – Current Month	34,574	
Over / (Under) – Current Month	4,792	Favorable
Actual YTD ***	274,833	
Budget YTD	283,519	
Over / (Under) – YTD	(8,686)	Unfavorable

Pledges

Actual – Current Month	30,930	
Budget – Current Month	29,808	
Over / (Under) – Current Month	1,122	Favorable
Actual YTD	244,576	
Budget YTD	256,548	
Over / (Under) YTD	(11,972)	Unfavorable

Expenses

Actual – Current Month	41,861	
Budget – Current Month	42,637	
Over / (Under) – Current Month	(776)	Favorable
Actual YTD	294,944	
Budget YTD	291,418	
Over / (Under) YTD	3,526	Unfavorable

Excess of Revenues over Expenses or (Expenses over Revenues)

Actual – Current Month	(2,495)	
Budget – Current Month	(8,063)	
Over / (Under) – Current Month	5,568	Favorable
Actual YTD	(20,111)	
Budget YTD	(7,899)	
Over / (Under) YTD	(12,212)	Unfavorable

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Adult Forum	Ray Wasdyke
Adult Inquirers	Mark Nestlehutt
Church School:	
Ages 3-Grade 4	Lee Thomas
Rite 13	Ann Roe
Youth Confirmation	Mark Nestlehutt

OUTREACH & WIDER MISSION

Back to School Project	Gillian Whyman, Judy Sandground
Children's Home Found.	Nance DuPont, Martha Austin
El Hogar Project	Bill Corba
Environmental Issues	Margie Steffens
Episcopal Relief & Dev.	Pamela McCloud
Grants Committee	John Hunnicutt
Habitat for Humanity	John Hunnicutt
Honduran Dental Mission	Jim Campi
St. Michaels Food Pantry	Beth and Howard Eckel
Talbot Interfaith Shelter	Pamela McCloud
United Thank Offering	Carol Carlson

PARISH & COMMUNITY LIFE

Coffee Hour	Mike Clark
Covenant Churches	Mark Nestlehutt
Disaster Preparedness	Linda Norris
Docents' Guild	Irmey Webster
Episcopal Church Women	Lynn Freeburger
Kitchen Committee	Mary Riedlin, Nancy Sipe
Lay Weeders	Lin Clineburg
Lea Library	Robert & Marilyn Barrett
Lemonade/Cider in Hall	Alison Sanford
Men's Club	George Dixon
Parish Paparazzi	Bud Keiser
Tidings Newsletter	Peter Houck
Welcoming Committee	Cathy Mendenhall

PASTORAL CARE

Eucharistic Visitors	Jessie Weddle
Pastoral Care Team	Mark Nestlehutt
Prayer Chain	Alice Utterback
Stephen Ministry	Lesley Moyer

STEWARDSHIP

Finance Committee	Tom Orem
Property	Elizabeth Foulds, John Masone
Stewardship	George Dixon, Jim Vail
Senior Teller	Larry McCanna

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Acolyte Guild	Sparrow Rogers, Ann Roe
Altar Guild	Helen Bower, Judy Hause
Choirs:	
Chancel & Youth	William Thomas
Handbell	Lynne Phillips
Euch. Ministers & Readers	Martha Austin
Flower Guild	Susan Armstrong
Greeters/Oblation Bearers	Sheila Vaughan
Ushers	Robert Burger

Staff

The Reverend Mark S. Nestlehutt, *Rector*
The Reverend Lynn A. Hade, *Associate Rector*
Mr. William R. Thomas, *Director of Music*
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Mr. George E. Short, *Sexton*

Vestry

Carolyn Wasdyke, *Senior Warden*
George Dixon, *Junior Warden*
Larry McCanna, *Treasurer*
Nancy Besso, *Registrar*

Bev Kegan 2014
Lesley Moyer 2014
Linda Norris 2014
Tony Vaughn 2014

Elizabeth Foulds 2015
Tom Orem 2015
Sparrow Rogers 2015
Hanna Woicke 2015

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