# Christ Episcopal Church - Valdosta, Georgia October 2008

#### Mark Your Calendar

Oct. 3 – Altar Guild Luncheon, Noon – Parish Hall

Oct. 4 – Steven Taylor Cello Recital 7:30 PM – Church

Oct. 5 – Blessing of the Animals

Oct. 10 - 12 -Fall Explosion @ Honey Creek Middle School Event

Oct. 11 -

Confirmation/ Inquirers' Class 9AM - Parish Hall

Oct. 15 - Guitar Eucharist - 6 PM

**Oct. 23 - 26** – Cursillo #114 @ Honey Creek

Oct. 25 – Convocation Picnic @ All Saints', Thomasville

Oct. 26 - Youth Sunday

Oct. 29 - Walk the Maze

Oct. 30 - Oktoberfest

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#### AN INVITATION

Christ Church well for many years. It served as the space for our Preschool program long ago, then as meeting space and space for Sunday school classes and Episcopal Youth activities. For many in the Christ Church family, Miller House is filled with memories. Sadly, despite attempts to clean and repair and paint it, time has taken its toll on Miller



House; it simply cannot house the programs for our young people. Fortunately, we have an alternative. Some years ago Christ Church purchased the two-story, cream-colored building across the church parking lot. It was named Louttit Hall after our bishop who served as rector here for many years. Louttit Hall had served the university as office space, and occasionally as classrooms, for a number of the university's departments. It served as the office space for Habitat for Humanity and as meeting space for Episcopal Campus Ministry. Of course, it too needed refurbishing and I am pleased to say that our vestry has made the commitment to renovate it and to provide excellent space for our youth. Floors have been refinished, ceilings repaired, walls have been painted and new furniture purchased. This is a commitment that will serve our parish for years. I would like to invite you to take time to see this new space. I think you will be very pleased.

Peter+

The Rt. Rev. and Mrs. Henry Louttit will visit Christ Episcopal Church Sunday, November 2, 2008.





#### The Vineyard On the Web

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### The Vineyard Plans Ahead

Christ Episcopal Church has a wealth of people who are involved in so many ministries. *The Vineyard* editors want to help publicize the events so that more people will attend, enjoy, and perhaps join you in your efforts to help others.

As volunteer newsletter editors, we adhere to a mid-month deadline so that we can guarantee the printed newsletter arrives by the first of the month at your address. Sometimes, events which are planned at the last minute don't make the newsletter, because it is already designed, proofed, and sitting on Molly's desk ready to be printed when she has time, the copier is working and the stars are aligned.

If you know that you are planning an event several months in advance, send us an e-mail to save space in the appropriate issue. We are delighted to take advance information and will even contact you the month prior to printing to remind you to send more detailed information to us.

Thank you all for the kind words of appreciation you have expressed to us in the eight months we have been publishing *The Vineyard*.

We also want to encourage you to check out the full-color version of the newsletter and the additional photographs that are available at: <www.christchurch valdosta.org> and follow the links to the photos.

# Mark your Calendar for

#### **NOVEMBER**

- 2 Bishop Louttit Visitation
- 7-9 New Beginnings @ Honey Creek (grades 7 - 9)
- 15 Christ Church will host a seminar on "End of Life Issues" Time: 9 am -1 pm Lunch will be provided Look for more information in the next Vineyard
- 27 Thanksgiving Day 11 am Service followed by a Feast!



#### Corn Maze

Everyone is invited to go to the Corn Maze in Hahira after the 6 p.m. service on October 29th to walk the maze and enjoy a hay ride. Cost \$6 each.

#### Youth Sunday

Youth Sunday is slated for October 26th. This is a great way to get your child or children involved in our youth programs! We will need a youth choir, junior altar guild, ushers, acolytes, greeters and many, many more jobs. Both events are being coordinated by Beth Baker.

Words for Season After Pentecost

Stewardship Commandments Peace

# Kathy Armstrong changes seats in the Christ Church Choir



athy Armstrong agreed to help out with the music during the Christmas season at Christ Episcopal Church in 1993 and remained as the choir director for the next 15 years. She is stepping sideways to sing in the choir rather than be in charge of it in October.

"Our choir is the most wonderful group of people I have ever worked with," said Kathy. "They have made this ministry a fun thing. We are like a family."

Professionally, Kathy is one of two music teachers at the new S. L. Mason School. This year the teachers and administrators selected her as Teacher of the Year for the second time. She was also Teacher of the Year in 1993.

Bill Armstrong, Kathy's husband, usually attends the 9:30 service. She describes him as her biggest fan and best critic. He helps her understand what sounds actually come across to the congregation. Bill describes Kathy's Wednesday night choir practice as, "the best one night comedy act."

Under Kathy's direction, the choir sang a variety of music. "The choir tried anything I asked them to do," she said. "If they really didn't like it, they told me that it was time to select something new."

The choir sings at the 9:30 a.m. Sunday service, at weddings, funerals, Christmas, Easter, other major feast days and "anywhere and anytime Father Peter tells us he needs us," said Kathy.

"I'm not leaving," said Kathy,
"I'm just stepping sideways to sit
in a different chair because I have



Kathy Armstrong with Father Peter

too much on my plate right now with aging parents to care for and new and expanded responsibilities at school. This is very hard for me, but in a way it opens a new opportunity for someone to step forward into this wonderful ministry," she said. "I hope we can attract some younger voices into our choir, sing new songs and enhance the worship experience for the whole congregation. It's a God thing when music crosses the altar rail," she concluded.

Joan Dear, a 20-year veteran of the choir, praised Kathy's accomplishments and commitment as a choir director and encouraged anyone who likes to sing to join the group and learn with everyone else to praise the Lord in song.



# Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori visits Georgia

















Approximately 300 attended Saturday afternoon's meeting with the laity at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Savannah, Georgia



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## In My Opinion

#### By Walter Hobgood

Getting up early was not new. I do this every morning. But I was not going to work. I was picking up Peter and Jim, and we were going to Statesboro to meet our Presiding Bishop. Not your usual Friday.

I clearly had a certain amount of curiosity. We don't get an opportunity to meet a Presiding Bishop just every day and certainly not the first female Presiding Bishop. I had all these questions (and more) running through in my mind: What is she like? How will she be different? What will other people think? How will she deal with those that have been outspoken (negative) about her election as Presiding Bishop?

There were a large number of people present, so it was not possible to get to know her one on one. However, she had that special presence about her that said, "You can trust me. I am your servant."

She demonstrated an ability to draw people out, to get them to share their opinions and concerns. She was truly more interested in listening to what we had to say than in what she had to say to us.

She was asked a wide range of questions and answered them in a very direct and open manner. She did not duck or avoid the tough issues and I think she answered them extremely well. She was having a conversation with a large number of people and never once spoke down to us or pushed an agenda.

She is a strong believer that nothing can be accomplished without a conversation and talked with us about what this meant to her and to us in the context of the diversity of the Episcopal Church and the worldwide Anglican Communion. She gave examples of candid conversations with Bishops and Primates at the most recent Lambeth Conference. These conversations, she said, brought a greater degree of understanding of the different challenges they face around the world. She also gave us some insight into how she thinks the relationships will evolve and strengthen in the years to come. But only if conversation occurs.

It was a special event and she is a special person. As one retired minister stated: "I have met other Presiding Bishops before, but this is the first time that I have felt that God was present and a part of the conversation."

As Peter said coming home: "Our Presiding Bishop is just what the Episcopal Church needs at this time in our history." I could not agree more.

#### By Jim Elliott

I had the privilege of attending a meeting of diocesan clergy and those studying for Holy Orders with our Presiding Bishop, the Most Reverend Katharine Jefferts Schori. We met at Trinity Episcopal Church in Statesboro and Bishop Katharine began the meeting with a meditation on God's words to Jesus, "You are my beloved in whom I am well pleased," as he emerged from the Jordan following his baptism by John. She then asked us to meditate in silence and to listen to God say to each of us "You are my beloved." I am thankful for our time with our Presiding Bishop as that meditation and ensuing discussion remain a pointed reminder of the grace that each of us receives from God in being His beloved children.

#### By Phyllis Hiers

I was very proud to meet this representative of our church. She seemed deeply spiritual and grounded, knowledgeable, and fully attentive to each questioner. She was calm and thoughtful with even the most difficult questions and didn't shy away from the hard ones. She made every questioner feel as if the question she or he asked were valuable.

#### By Elise Sandbach

I thought the Presiding Bishop was wonderful. I wanted to applaud. She had a presence. It seemed as if the Holy Spirit was surely in that place. She handled the questions with such calm that I almost didn't realize the questions were difficult. We had a great turnout from our church, but I wish many more had been able to go to share the experience.

#### By Jeani Synyard

This was actually my second time to meet the Presiding Bishop, the first being at my home church in Arkansas in January 2007. Both times I was in awe of her graciousness, her intellect, and most of all, her faith. One does not have to be around her long to know that in this time of turmoil in the Church (and the world) we can be comforted by her leadership.

# christ Church's Quitet Bag

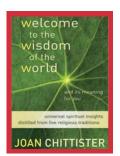
#### **Quiet Bags**

Have you noticed the Quiet Bags in the basket in the narthex? These bags are for the children's use during the service. Each bag includes a book entitled, "A Child's Guide to the Holy Eucharist," some color crayons, some pages to color, and other items. Your child is welcome to take home any pages she or he colors. Please return the other items to the bag and replace it in the basket for use by other children at other services.



#### The Church Bookshelf

by Patricia Marks



Welcome to the
Wisdom of the
World (Eerdmans,
2007)
By Joan
Chittister

"The world needs more monkey kings," declares Joan Chittister, a Benedictine Abbess who uses stories from five great spiritual traditions--Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, and Islam—to help us understand what becoming holy means.

Each short chapter explores the kind of question that awakens us at 3 a.m., from the down-to-earth "Why does my life feel so hectic" to the desperate cry, "Where is God?"

Through the prism of her own experiences, Mother Chittister shines light on the choices we make and the problems we face. She does so with grace and understanding, drawing from the life lessons offered through sometimes whimsical, always enlightening stories and anecdotes that address universal cries of the heart.

We read of seekers and forest

hermits, and we join a Sufi woman who searches for the Fruit of Heaven. We learn about the sound of one hand



Deacon Patricia Marks

clapping and a ring inscribed with the wisdom of the world.

And all these stories are embedded in a conversation between Mother Chittister and the reader, a conversation that is no less profound for being welcoming and gentle.

Oh, and the monkey king? He was the one who had only a rope, two trees, and his own body to save his entire tribe from massacre. And love; he had love. "My joy," he says at the end, is that they are all safe. Now I can rest."

And how does he do all this? Well, you'll need to read the book to find out. But as Joan Chittister says, "In the end, the sight of goodness undeterred has more power than all the forces on earth arrayed against it."



Bishop Henry Louttit

#### The Rt. Rev. and Mrs. Henry Louttit to visit Christ Episcopal Church November 1 and 2

"We will be delighted to host Bishop Henry and Mrs. Jan Louttit for a visit to Christ Episcopal Church," said Father Peter Ingeman.

The schedule for Saturday is not yet set, but Bishop Louttit, the former rector of Christ Church, will preach at all three Sunday services on Nov. 2. There will be a reception

to honor Bishop Louttit and Jan between the 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. services. As the Bishop has announced his intention to retire after a new bishop has been called, this may be his last official visit to our church.

Please join us in welcoming them back to their church.

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# Special Days Remembered in October

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Tom Carroll 3 Bob Johnston David Koon Terry Parsons Hudson Tanner
- 4 Sally Baker Maria Taylor
- 5 Erin Carter
- 6 Demitri Lazari Aaron Parten
- 7 Natalie Savoie
- 8 Geri Coleman Adair Pizer Emily Rutledge
- 9 Gil Gjertsen
- 10 Susan Kaiser
- 12 Joan Dear Ginger Macheski Chappell Wolfson
- 14 Leanne Johnson
- 15 Jessie Querin

# 16 Meg Hiers

- Landon Miley
  17 David Sandbach, Sr.
- 18 Blake Ellis
- Grace Tanner 20 Angie Doub
- 22 Sarah Cribb
  - Vangie Marshall Katie Querin
- 23 Jimmy Carroll Leslie Cloud Rachel Greneker
- 24 Pat Denmark
- 25 Rebecka Parsons Mike Savoie
- 26 Mackenzie Clark
- 27 Lilly Kate Campbell Jordon Jackson
- 31 Jan Loeffler

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

2 Wade & Geri Coleman 9 Len & Melissa Carter Jim & Pepi Nelson 10 S.J. & Pat Denmark

- 14 Tom & Stefani Carroll Ken & Sue Ellen Rumstay
- 18 David & Jennifer Singleton
- 21 Lee & Valerie Page
- 22 William & Kathleen Parmelee
- 27 Cody & Eloise Smith 31 Gil & Natalie Gjertsen

#### BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Max Bontrager
- 6 Kayley Carter Carter Elliott
- 8 Jane Ferrell Lou Gabard Grace Harding
- 15 Bill Nunn
- **Bryant White**
- 18 Pauline Brown
- 22 Allan Dear
- 24 Hayden Coggins
- 28 Melanie Schwallenberg Emory Warrick, Sr.
- 31 Karen Gunter Angela Doub

If your special day is not included in our calendar, please call the church office at 242-5115 to let us know.

#### Vestry Report from the August 18 Meeting

- Received report from the treasurer that all church accounts are in the process of being moved to Park Avenue Bank.
- Received report from Father Ingeman that a gift of a wooden grate will be installed between the large pipes and the rest of the pipe work of the organ.
- Received notice of the resignation of Kathy Armstrong as choir director. David Johnson will assist in finding a new director.
- Reviewed the church calendar for August and September, including information regarding the diocesan process underway to select a new bishop.
- Voted to accept the bid from Michael Ellerbee's pest control company for a one-year contract for all buildings.



Pepi Nelson, Senior Warden and Clint Beeland, Junior Warden

- Received update from Clinton Beeland regarding work in Louttit Hall in preparation for the Sunday School classes. The floors have been sanded and the vestry voted to paint the interior of the building. The exterior peeling paint of Miller House will be scraped.
- Awaiting the first draft of Phase I of the master building plan from the architects, scheduled to arrive in mid-September.

- Discussed building a ramp for Louttit Hall for handicap accessibility.
- Received report from Deacon Marks regarding Literacy Volunteers' need for tutors and the general needs of the Heritage House.
- Received report from The Rev. Tar Drazdowski that a check for \$4,500 was sent to the Dominican Republic for the school administrator salary, since the school enrollment has doubled.
- Reviewed plans for college ministry. All incoming Episcopal VSU freshmen have been contacted. A meeting with the freshman advisor will be held on August 19 to plan programs. Pat Bezona will help lead the group.

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## Around the Parish



Iraqi Children's Fund

From:<thomas.d.price@us.army.mil>

Subject: Pencil & Paper project Date: Mon, 8 Sep 2008 18:51:57

#### Hello to everyone,

I would like to apologize for my negligence in keeping everyone informed of the lack of progress with the project here in Iraq and the current situation. The schools in which I plan on distributing your generous contributions have not opened as of yet. They have been closed for some time now. The reconstruction is complete enough to have students attend, but because these schools do not have airconditioning and the temperature can get up to 118-125 degrees the schools are not going to open until October. Other factors in not opening the schools are the lack of continuous electrical power and the celebration of Ramadan.

Ramadan is celebrated the whole month of September. I have received another shipment of supplies. I currently have a total of 34 boxes of supplies in my storage room.

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to this project. If it was not for the generosity of people like yourselves, we would not be able to give the Iraqi children a future that they deserve. They are the future of this country and the contributions that you have given will help them

realize that there are good honest caring Americans willing to lend a hand.

The soldiers and I are thankful for you all keeping us in your prayers. Hope that you, your families and friends are safe and healthy.

1SG Thomas Price

P.S I would like to give a special thanks to my aunt, Cathy Mayer for spear-heading this project. She is a wonderful and caring person.



### Annual Butterfly Day Scheduled at St. Marks

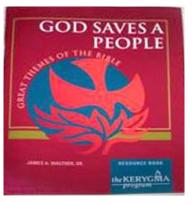
October 25 is the official celebration of the Monarch Butterfly migration at St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge in St. Marks, FL.

Several members of Christ Church enjoy this nature day every year. Visit the official Web site for St. Marks for more information at: <a href="http://www.fws.gov/saintmarks/">http://www.fws.gov/saintmarks/</a>>.

#### **Vestry Elections**

Those rotating off the Vestry this year are Hugh Bailey, Clinton Beeland, Jan Carter, Buddy Pitts and Sylvia Warrick.

They will comprise the nominating committee. Nominations will be received the first two weeks in October; ballots will be available the first two Sundays in November. Those going off are not eligible for reelection for one year.



#### Fall Study Plans Adult Bible Study

Taught by Bud Curtis
Sunday Mornings, 10:35 – 11:15
Book: God Saves A People
Theme: Our Faith in a
Saving God
Exodus 1-3; 7:1-7; 12; 14; and

15:1-21

This class continues through October and concludes in November. All are welcome to join in this guided study. We will work from our Bibles and develop a

word list.



#### **Honey Creek**

The Honey Creek Commission has formed a subcommittee to evaluate the summer camp programs and to suggest changes to increase the number of youth attending the camps. Phyllis Hiers will be a member of that subcommittee and happy to relay any suggestions from Christ Church. Campers and others, make your views known!

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# Facilities Committee Update







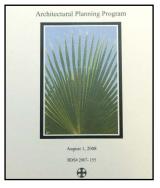


# Louttit Hall Renovation

In Father Ingeman's front page message, he invited our congregation to visit the newly renovated space in Louttit Hall pictured above. On Sunday morning the Sunday School classes use this space for christian education. The EYC and Canterbury Club also plan to use the space.

The facilities committee received the Architectural Planning Program (Phase I) during the second week of September. Jim Barganier and Chris Faulkner did a great job pulling together the information provided during the Ministry and User Group interviews, survey of the property, and measurements of the existing facilities. The combination of this information provided the basis for the space planning program and the architectural flow diagrams (see photo, bottom right). The space planning program takes into account current spaces which can be renovated, spaces that need to be moved or demolished, and new spaces. The space planning program came up with 16,612 s.f. of new space and 8,250 s.f. of renovated and altered space. As we move forward in the master planning process we will prioritize the needs and wants based on the interviews and

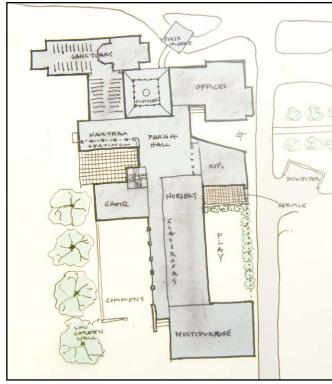
additional information. We will also get more specific with physical location to ensure that we allow for future growth and so that we respect the Valdosta State campus and our existing structures. During the interviews and the architectural review it was a general consensus that Miller House and Bray House would need to be moved or demolished. The facilities committee in conjunction with the



Architects' Report

Vestry is working on relocating all classes currently in Miller House and getting approval to dispose of the building. In this regard, Louttit Hall's interior has been painted, the floors have been refinished, linoleum in the kitchen is scheduled to be replaced, and a handicap ramp is in the works as well as some other finishing touches. This will allow our Sunday Schools an interim place to meet as we develop our master plan and begin and renovate our facilities for the future of Christ Church.

Clint Beeland



# Christ Episcopal Preschool







"Hello Friends, How are you? Hello Friends, How are you? I am super and I hope you are too!"

ix four-year-olds in Elise Sandbach's class greet each other every morning with this cheerful, musical lyric in a brightly painted room filled with books, toys, mobiles, and play spaces. It is the kind of place you wish your child or grandchild had an opportunity to experience every day. For not only is it a fun place, the teachers are caring, intelligent, gentle educators who nurture each child and encourage a love of learning.

Christ Episcopal Preschool is in



its 26th year of service to the Valdosta community. Established in 1983 by Bishop Henry Louttit, then rector of

Christ Church, the school originally was located in the Irene Miller House. For the last 15 years, the school has been in the Norma Tomberlin House on the corner of East College Street and Slater Street.

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Bishop Louttit conceived of the preschool as a form of mission outreach that would provide a rich learning experience for three- and four-year-olds in a happy, loving environment. The original age limits have been expanded so that the school now offers three classes: two-and-a-half-year olds taught by Julie Savoie, three-year olds taught



by Norma Tomberlin, and fouryear-olds taught by Elise Sandbach.

The day school year begins on the Tuesday after Labor Day and runs Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until noon through the last week of May. The school observes holidays and

coordinates the schedule with the city and county holidays when possible.

Norma Tomberlin, for whom the building is named, has been teaching children of preschool age for 28 years, 22 of those at Christ Episcopal Preschool. She retired in 2000, then returned in 2004 when the school lost three teachers in a row.

"It gives me such pleasure to

teach children," said Norma. "Threeyear-olds love to learn; they are so eager.



Nurturing a love of learning in our young people fills me with joy."

Norma Tomberlin's three-yearold class has 17 children this year.

Elise Sandbach, who also has 22 years teaching experience, has been at Christ Episcopal Preschool for 16 years. Six four-year-olds attend her class this year.



Julie Savoie, whose son is in her class, is in her first year of teaching at the school. She has 12 children in her class.

"I feel fortunate to get to work with my son and others his age to see the fireworks of excitement in learning," Julie said. "When the children see me on the street, they recognize me and come running to hug me," she said smiling.

In addition to the three teachers, there are three aides assisting at the school: Caitlin Kirk, Laken Osgood, and Debbie Sempert. Caitlin operates the Parents Morning Out at the Christ Church Nursery attached to the church on Monday,

Wednesday, and Friday, but works



in the day school on Tuesday and Thursday. She rotates as an aide to Norma

Tomberlin with Laken, who attends Valdosta State University.

The curriculum at the school is not a standardized one, but rather it has been developed by Elise and Norma who have 50 years of teaching experience between them and several university degrees. The classes focus on one subject a week using creative play, art, stories, and sometimes guests to reinforce learning.

On September 9 Mrs. Sandbach talked about pets and family. She showed her class pictures of her pets and asked them to bring photos of their pets and their families to class so that they could make a book with everyone's brothers, sisters, mothers, fathers, and pets. Elise plans for the book to go from family



to family so that all the parents and children will know their classmates.

"If you don't have a pet," Elise said, "you can have a pretend pet."

All the classes have age appropriate learning interspersed with fun.

Playtime on the swings, slides and climbing equipment outside on



the playground is a favorite with the children.

"Christ Church Preschool is blessed with



dedicated teachers who have created a place in which there is a loving atmosphere and where children can learn to love learning," said Father Peter Ingeman.

# "All I Ever Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten" By Robert Fulgham

Most of what I really need to know about how to live, and what to do, and how to be, I learned in Kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate school mountain, but there in the sandbox at nursery school.

These are the things I learned...

Share everything. Play fair. Don't hit people. Put things back where you found them. Clean up your own mess. Don't take things that aren't yours. Say sorry when you hurt somebody. Wash your hands before you eat. Flush. Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you. Live a balanced life.

Learn some and think some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day some.

Take a nap every afternoon. When you go out into the world, watch for traffic, hold hands, and stick together.

Be aware of wonder. Remember the little seed in the plastic cup? The roots go down and the plant goes up and nobody really knows how or why, but we are all like that.

For more visit <a href="http://www.elliottsamazing.com/kindergarten.html">http://www.elliottsamazing.com/kindergarten.html</a>



Jump in and join the fun!

# Convocational Barbeque

Saturday, October 25, 2008 All Saints' Episcopal Church 443 South Hansell Street Thomasville, Georgia

11:30 a.m. - Morning Prayer noon - Lunch Barbeque and Hot dogs provided Bring a side dish to share Music & Bouncy House

> Call Julie Van Ham 229-247-5341 home or 229-247-6859 work



Christ Church youth group made a banner for the Valdosta High School Homecoming Parade on Patterson Street to support the Valdosta Wildcats, Friday, September 12.

## Saturday Evening Eucharist Saturday, October 18th - 6 p. m.

The Rev. Tar Drazdowski is planning what she hopes will be the first of many Saturday Evening Eucharists. The music will be a combination of the music played at youth events and the music from Cursillo. Tar hopes to build a multi-generational music team,

altar guild team, and servers team for this special service.

If you are interested in working in any of these areas, please call the office. All are welcome, and remember to invite your friends and neighbors.

#### Join us for Regular Services

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion 11:30 a.m. Holy Communion\*

Tuesday: 10:30 a.m. @ Langdale Place

9:30 a.m. Holy Communion\*

6:00 p.m. Vespers

Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.\*

10:45 a.m. Christian Education\*

Thursday: 7:00 a.m. \*Nursery Available

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