

#### Mark Your Calendar

February 27-Mar. 1

Episcopelicans 5K at Seaside, FL

#### March 1

Episcopal Relief and Development Sunday

#### March 12

Habitat for Humanity Collegiate Challenge Supper Volunteers needed.

#### March 21

A "New" Old Way
to Pray:
ECW Quiet Day at
St. Thomas 12 noon
in Thomasville
contact Julie Van Ham
229-247-5341
Includes lunch and
materials to make
Anglican rosaries
Concludes with a Taize
Prayer Service
Led by The Rev.
Judy Jones

www.christchurch valdosta.org

#### Deacon Stella and Dave Clark

tella Clark was born to George and Jo Mingea in Manchester, Georgia and moved when she was one month old to Boston, Massachusetts. Her father

worked for U.S. Steel. The family moved to the interior of Venezuela where the family lived in a camp owned by the steel company. She attended the fifth through the eleventh grades in a very small school. In fact, when she was in the eighth grade she recalls that there were only two students in her grade and 23 students in the whole school. Stella moved back to Manchester and lived with her grandparents to attend the twelfth grade and to graduate from Manchester High School. She won the Miss Flint River beauty pageant and participated in the Miss Georgia Pageant. That same year



Deacon Stella Clark

her parents moved to Liberia in África with Republic Steel.

Stella has fond memories of her life in Venezuela. Every two years in Orlando, Florida, she attends a reunion of approximately 150 people who lived in the two adjoining Venezuelan U.S. Steel camps.

"My experience in Venezuela gave me a love of learning, languages, and new experiences," she said. "Of course I spoke Spanish well then, but since I don't use it often, I have forgotten much of it."

Stella began her nurse's training at St Francis Hospital in Columbus, Georgia after high school. She worked as an apprentice mortician in Manchester during the weekends and holidays. She met her husband, Dave while working at Cox Funeral Home during Christmas break. He was a senior at Millsaps College, home for the holiday. He looked up, saw her, and said to himself, "I'm going to marry that girl."

They married in 1966. Dave and Stella moved to Atlanta, to Norfolk, Virginia and to Gulfport, Mississippi. First Danny, then Michael, then Jennifer were born, and Stella resumed her nurse's training when the family moved to Valdosta attending and graduating from Valdosta Technical College as a licensed practical nurse. She was the Georgia Occupation Award of Leadership (GOAL) winner and outstanding student in 1985. Since then she has worked for a Valdosta pediatrician for 14 years and has been the school nurse at Lake Park Elementary for 9 years.



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#### **Christ Episcopal Church**

The Rt. Rev. Henry I. Louttit, Bishop of Georgia

The Rev. Peter Ingeman, Rector The Rev. Tar Drazdowski, Priest in Residence

Stella Clark, Deacon Patricia Marks, Deacon Molly Greneker, Parish Secretary

Sue Ellen Rumstay, Organist Jessica Israels, St. Gregory Choir Director

Amy Creasy, Bookkeeper

Dr. John Curtis and Maggie Roberts, St. Francis Choir Leaders Julia and Julius Ariail, Newsletter

Vestry

Mimi Allen Sandra Fletcher
Charles Boatwright John Hiers
Tammy Borders Phyllis Holland
Tom Carroll Pepi Nelson
Dave Clark Bill Nunn
Jerry DeMott Joe Singletary
Carolyn Eager Mike Tanner
Al Turner

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Deacon Clark	559-6159
The Rev. Drazdowski	249-0895
The Rev. Ingeman	245-0799
Church Office	242-5115

#### Vestry Report from January 19, 2009 Meeting

- Received report of 2008 year end financial statement. Cash flow remained healthy throughout the year and budget goals were met. The 2009 budget was finalized.
- Accepted a gift of a 2000 Volvo from Wayne Ellerbee. Decided to offer the sale of the vehicle to the congregation prior to offering to the general public.
- Accepted slate of officers for 2009:

Senior Warden - Pepi Nelson Junior Warden - Mike Tanner Clerk - Mimi Allen Treasurer - Amber Tanner (non-vestry)

- Planned for Miller House move. LAMP will move the house at no expense to Christ Church tentatively at the end of February. A work day will be planned to remove or store items in the building. Fr. Ingeman will plan a "Going Away" blessing of the house prior to its removal, if timing permits.
- Agreed to submit a resolution at the Diocesan Convention to thank Bishop Louttit for his service.
- Agreed that a celebration service be held on February 22 in honor the 60th anniversary of Christ Church at our current location.



Pepi Nelson, Senior Warden and Mike Tanner, Junior Warden

- Received required report from Father Ingeman regarding the fair rental value of the rectory and the number of checks written from his discretionary fund.
- Met representatives from First Community Development who have been contracted to provide guidance for our fund raising capital campaign. Steve Dorough and Gerald Scott presented an overview of the steps of the campaign and their role in the process.
- Received report from Beth Baker regarding youth activities over the past month and plans for projects in the next several months.

#### Words for Season of Lent

Contrition Humility Meditation

## From the Rector

#### A SHORT WALK THROUGH THE LENTEN GOSPELS

The time is short and there is much yet to be taught.

Thave always supposed that those were Jesus' thoughts as He approached His last days with His Disciples. What had they indeed learned in the days of walking with Him; were they truly prepared to assume the immense responsibility of carrying His word to the world? Are we? With that in mind I would like to invite you to a program each Wednesday evening

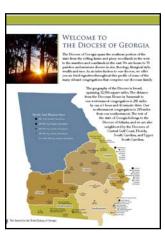


in Lent to look once again at Jesus' teachings and what they mean to us as His people. The weekday Lenten Gospels are from Luke, Matthew and John; each in its own context, each addressed to communities seeking to comprehend the meaning of Jesus in their lives, just as we do. The meaning is there for us all if we would see it.

In Christ, Peter+

## Status of Search for the 10th Bishop of Georgia by Walter Hobgood

The nominations for the 10th Bishop of Georgia are closed and the Search Committee is busy sorting through approximately 30 nominations. Due to the confidential nature of the process, I cannot share much more information, other than to say that we have nominations from throughout the U.S. The committee has been meeting once a month in Dublin and will start meeting twice a month in February. Over the next couple of months, we will narrow the list down by reviewing resumes and responses to questions that we have sent to each nominee. Once we have completed this, we will interview the remaining candidates via telephone to further



narrow the list before doing face-to-face interviews. We are still on our timeline to present 3 to 5 candidates to the Standing Committee in June.

The Diocesan Profile Statement, a snapshot of our diocese, is at the Web site <a href="http://www.georgiabishopsearch.org">http://www.georgiabishopsearch.org</a>. In the words of the statement, it "attempts to articulate how we see and understand ourselves, the challenges before us, our aspirations for the decade to come and the qualities we seek in our new bishop."

### Parents' Morning Out and Preschool Information

#### Parents' Morning Out

#### Open Monday - Friday

1 Day a Week \$36.00 Monthly
2 Days a Week \$72.00 Monthly
3 Days a Week \$108.00 Monthly
4 Days a Week \$144.00 Monthly
(Parents choose any 4 of the 5 days)
Drop-In 9 am-12 noon \$15.00
Please give 24-hour notice

#### **Lunch Bunch**

Available Monday, Wednesday and Friday

1 Day a Week \$24.00 Monthly 2 Days a Week \$48.00 Monthly 3 Days a Week \$72.00 Monthly

Drop-In 12 noon-2 pm \$10.00 Please give 24-hour notice

#### Preschool

Registration fee \$95.00 Monthly Fee \$120.00 Members' Fee \$105.00

#### Stella and Dave Clark

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Dave, Stella and their children joined Christ Church in 1976, the year they moved to Valdosta.

"I think my call to work for the church came early in my life," said Stella. "I was raised in the Roman Catholic Church and when the Bishop from Caracas came to our camp to confirm me, he slapped my cheek and called me a soldier for Christ. I have felt that very strongly ever since."

Fr. Henry Louttit, the rector of Christ Church in 1988 and now Bishop of Georgia, worked to revive the diaconate. Fr. Peter Ingeman was the assistant at Christ Church at the time and preached about "Putting on the Armor of God" one Sunday.

"I told him I was ready to put that armor on," she said. "Now what do I do?"

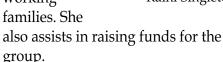
Fr. Peter responded that he would have the answer for her next Sunday. He recommended the diaconate. She began study in 1988 and was ordained at Christ Church in 1990 by Bishop Harry Shipps.

As a deacon Stella has had many ministries mostly dealing with health related issues. For several



Jennifer Singleton with her father Dave Clark Photograph by David Singleton

years she worked with the AIDS and HIV victims. She is currently working with the Partnership Health Center, a free medical clinic in Valdosta for low income working



In the Diocese of Georgia, she serves on the Commission on Ministry to assist others who are seeking ordination in the Episcopal Church. She has led the project to collect pop tabs at Christ Church for the Ronald McDonald House in Atlanta where she and Dave stayed when their son Michael was in the hospital in Atlanta. Dave and Stella lost Michael in 1995 after a lifelong struggle with cystic fibrosis.

They have four grandchildren. Raini and Phoebe Singleton are Jennifer and David Singleton's daughters. Mackenzie and Reagan are Danny and Kim Clark's daughters.

Dave retired from Mackey Lumber Company this year after 33 years. He still maintains an office there and assists the owner with special projects. He has served on the Lowndes County Board of Education for 12 years. He and some friends own Bill's Fish Camp on the

Raini Singleton with her grandmother Stella Clark

unds for the

Suwannee River where they often go
for rest and relaxation. Dave likes to
eorgia, she
sion on
cook with the Men In Blue, the
men's group at Christ Church which
the Episcopal
the project to
diocese as a member of the
ist Church for

Conference Center Commission.

Stella's favorite hymn is "How Great Thou Art." She is famous within our church for her Christmas Eve children's service puppet sermons. Asked what program not currently offered at Christ Church

she would like to see implemented, Stella suggested a young adult class to focus on how to love your spouse and raise children in a Christian environment.





#### Special Days Remembered in March

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

#### 2 Charles Adams Joan Bailey Michael Bajalia

- 3 Lonnie Lacy
- 4 Helen McClure
- 5 Harrison Tillman, Jr. Marilyn Kemper
- 6 Mitchell Beeland
- 9 Phoebe Singleton
- 10 Janet Smith Malcolm Weston
- 11 Kathryn Cody
- 12 Jane Teasley
- 14 William Bajalia Merrill Guice Dennis Savoie
- 15 Julia Ariail Jeani Synyard
- 16 Gloria Boyette Kathy Failor Julie Jackson John Kunath Mary Lovelace

- 17 Sara Canup Carter Coleman
- 18 Nicole Bajalia Walton Carter Olivia Nunn Pat Tudor
- 19 Duke Guthrie Richard Saeger
- 20 Anne Reid
- 21 Regan Adams **Jack Fisher** Steven Taylor
- 23 Sarah Bartholomew
- 24 Courtland Smith
- 26 James Guthrie
- 27 Ken Rumstay
- 29 Iacob Diamond **Bill Roberts**
- 30 Bill Tucker
- 31 Janet Dickman Edith Shepherd **Amber Tanner**

#### **BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES**

- 3 Nick Bajalia Linda Riggle 5 Marilyn Kemper
- 14 Mackenzie Clark
  - Larry Wisenbaker
- 16 Ashley Cody
- 18 John Curtis
- 19 Tyler Kunath
- 20 Margaret Weston
- 21 Helen McClure 23 Willa Valencia
- 25 Stephanie Tillman
- 26 Aldine Carter Cindy Waters
- 27 Dylan Phillips Ethan Warrick
- 28 Mike Holland
- 30 Robbie Beeland
- 31 Emma Claire Campbell Natalie Gjertsen

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

1 Terry & Kathleen Parsons

5 Boots & Pat Tudor

8 Duane & Jennifer Carter

17 John & Helen Bennett Bob & Sue Ann Johnston

18 Searcy & Helen McClure

23 Allan & Joan Dear Mike & Julie Savoie

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



#### Living With Contradiction & The Monastic Way By Ester De Waal

#### The Church Bookshelf

by Patricia Marks

**Daily Reflections** for Lent: Not by **Bread Alone** 

By Sister Katherine Howard

By Joan Chittester

Living with Contradiction, an attractive title for all of us seeking wholeness in a fragmented world. My heart leaps when I realize that my copy dates from a retreat at Belmont Abbey in Wales,



Deacon Patricia Marks

when de Waal herself wrote me a note about finding guide, inspiration, and challenge in St. Benedict. Indeed, as the series editor says, "Wisdom is to discern the true rhythm of things: joy is to move, to dance to that rhythm."

And finally, I will be following "The Monastic Way," a set of daily readings from Joan Chittester. At most a sentence or two long, these provocative thoughts are framed for the listening heart.

May Lent grant us wisdom, and Easter, joy.

Looking ahead to Lenten reading is rather like following "examination of forethought" -- that is, looking at our plans in the light of praise, thanksgiving, and God's help. So this Lent, it will be Daily Reflections for Lent: Not by Bread Alone, a palm-sized collection of meditations by Sister Katherine Howard, who begins in an evocative way: "Christ's life easters in us throughout the year . . ." Look for your copy in the church tower. And I will also be reading Esther de Waal's









# 187th Convention of the Diocese of Georgia By Phyllis Hiers, Delegate from Christ Church Several hundred Episcopalians met in Albany Georgia, for the 187th

Several hundred Episcopalians met in Albany, Georgia, for the 187th Convention of the Diocese of Georgia. At the opening Evensong service, in his last diocesan convention address as our bishop, Bishop Henry Louttit spoke of his love for Honey Creek, noting that the conference center faces great challenges to deal with a \$600,000 debt and the need to upgrade and maintain the current facility.

The convention sessions were collegial and non-controversial. They included:

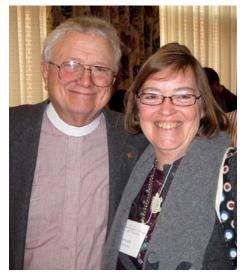
- introductions of clergy new to the diocese;
- recognition of two missions now financially independent and moving toward parish status (in Kingsland and Hawkinsville);
- reports on the continuing activities of our diocese in Belize, our former companion diocese, and in the Dominican Republic, our current companion diocese;
- presentations by diocesan youth who also gathered for a lock-in;
- reports on the search for a new bishop, which is on schedule and has attracted 30 applicants;
- decisions to study the Anglican Covenant, soon to be released by the worldwide communion of Anglicans of which we are a part;
- discussions to provide training for parish lay leadership (wardens and treasurers);
- information on the move of the Order of St. Helena's houses in New York and Maryland to its house in Augusta;

The convention closed with the ordination Saturday of six new transitional deacons.

• campus ministry reports from Georgia Southern, Valdosta State, Armstrong State, Savannah College of Art and Design, and UGA.

Christ Church, Valdosta, folks at convention: Peter and Happy Ingeman, Tar and Jim Drazdowski, Patricia and Dennis Marks, Jim Elliot, Katie Querin, Sandy and Elise Sandbach, Molly Greneker, Walter and Gail Hobgood, Paul Stevenson, Liz Williams, Cathy and Elizabeth Hanson, Phyllis and John Hiers, Frances Crawford, Julie and Matthew Van Ham—and a great host of former Valdostans and friends.

Bishop Louttit's address and Fr. Lonnie Lacy's ordination sermon can be found at <a href="https://www.georgia.anglican.org">www.georgia.anglican.org</a>.





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photographs by Phyllis Hiers

## February 5 - 7, 2009, Albany, Georgia By Walter and Gail Hobgood, Christ Church

The 187th Diocesan Convention of the Diocese of Georgia was held in Albany, GA the first weekend of February. Members of St. Paul's and the other churches in the Albany Convocation did a great job of hosting all of us. The convention got started on Thursday night with an evening service at St. Paul's. The music was fabulous with choir members from several churches participating. On a sad note, Bishop Henry Louttit addressed all those in attendance for the last time as Bishop of Georgia.

Bishop Louttit was recognized numerous times during the proceedings the following day for his leadership and support during his tenure as Bishop. He reminded us that he was still Bishop and would be for the balance of this year.

The Convention had a spirit of unity about it that allowed us to see and hear about the great ministries being performed throughout the Diocese. We greeted friends from other churches that we have met over the years at various diocesan events. There is something special about these relationships and the spirit of and commitment to the unity we share as part of the Diocese of Georgia.

Our keynote speaker was Bishop Wright, the 14th Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Belize. One quote that I think everyone wrote down was: "God does not have a mission for a church, but has a church for a mission". As we look to the future we should ask: What is God's Mission in our community and what is our role in accomplishing this mission?

One highlight of the proceedings was a call for support from everyone to realize the full potential of Honey Creek for our diocese. Attendees started by making donations to Honey Creek to honor Bishop Louttit. Going forward, the best thing we can do to support Honey Creek is to use it.

There was a cocktail reception held at the Flint RiverQuarium, followed by a Dinner Dance at the Methodist Church. A very talented entertainer and member of St. Paul's provided the entertainment which culminated in a gentle musical roast of Bishop Louttit and several other priests in the Diocese. A good time was had by all.

Rev. Lonnie Lacy gave the sermon on Saturday for the ordination of several Deacons. It was a memorable sermon and I urge everyone to look for it on the diocesan web site.









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#### Deacons at the 187th Convention











#### Photographs and text by Deacon Patricia Marks

- **1.** Deacon Jim Purks (St. Paul's, Albany) made sure that we were well-fortified for the day to come with a breakfast at Hubble's restaurant. That's Jim, pointing the way to Dcn. Marty Meuschke (St. Mark's, Brunswick).
- **2.** Ri Lamb, a postulant at St. Paul's (Albany), and Dcn. John Lane (St. John & St. Mark, Albany) were our hosts at the Deacons' reception Thursday night.
- **3.** Dcn. Yvette Owens (Christ the King, Valdosta) has breakfast with Postulant Becky Rowell (Christ Church, Frederica).
- **4.** On Friday, while the rest of the convention-goers ate lunch, the Deacon Formation Council met to discuss the budget and the upcoming training sessions. Here are Dcn. Geri Nelson (St. Thomas, Savannah), Coordinator for the Deacon School for Ministry, and
- 5. Karyl Miller (St. Barnabas, Valdosta), Chair of the Deacon Formation Council. At the convention, the deacons in the diocese expressed special thanks to Bishop Louttit for his ongoing support for the Deacon School for Ministry, a training program created by and for deacons. Sessions created and taught by deacon examining chaplains are held in all canonical areas at Honey Creek. For further information, see <a href="http://www.georgia.anglican.org/deacons/DSM.htm">http://www.georgia.anglican.org/deacons/DSM.htm</a>.

#### **Canterbury Club**

By Sara C. Giles

anterbury Club has helped make my freshman year at Valdosta State University enjoyable. Canterbury Club has provided me with a way to make friends and worship with great people that I would have never met otherwise. I have formed friendships that I am positive will last my whole life.

Canterbury Club is a unique way for the youth of Valdosta to get involved with campus life and get closer in their relationship with God. The club has provided me with something to look forward to throughout the week, no matter how awful the week leading up to Sunday has been, I know when I meet at the Canterbury house all my problems and stress will be absolved for at least a few hours while we meet and enjoy our time together.

Overall, the Canterbury club has provided me with a place to call home because family is what makes a home a home, and the Canterbury Club has provided me with a family for when I cannot be near my biological family.

Canterbury Club meets every Sunday at 5 pm in Louttit Hall for food, fellowship, and fun! Please join us, and bring a friend too!

#### MISSION 2009 - GET READY, GET SET, GO!

#### Our Mission trip to the Dominican Republic will be June 20 - 27, 2009.

Our plans include Vacation Bible School for 100 children, knitting and possibly an embroidery class and a construction project. We are in need of a translator and would like to have a medical person to care for the team. If you are 18 or older, have a heart for learning about new cultures and want to join us, you are welcome to join our team. If you are not 18 and wish to join us, you are also welcome. All you need to do is to bring your parent. You don't need to have a lot of talent, but you will need a sense of humor, a love for the Lord and a sense of adventure. The cost of the trip is around \$1,500 and will include your airfare, room, and board. We will have a fundraiser to raise money for construction, scholarships, and in country transportation costs.

If you are interested, please contact Juanita Quinn, Mimi Allen, or The Rev. Tar.

#### Happening #82 at Honey Creek



Twenty-five people from Valdosta participated in Happening #82 at Honey Creek, January 23 - 25. Rachel Greneker from Christ Church served as rector. According to Youth Coordinator Beth Baker, "each and every person there had a blast!"

High school students in the 10th through the 12th grades are eligible to attend. If you are interested in attending, check out these Web sites:

www.georgiahappening.com www.happeningnational.org

www.EDOGY.org Facebook: Georgia Happening

The program also needs adults to assist. Contact Beth Baker for more information.









Photographs by Elizabeth Hanson

#### Elizabeth Hanson will lead the next New Beginnings weekend retreat March 20th through 22nd.

New Beginnings is a retreat for teenagers in grades 7 - 9. The weekend is led by a team of mostly teenagers, a few adults, and a spiritual director. The weekend encourages discovery about yourself, your friends, your family, your faith and how to live out your faith in your daily life. How does this discovery happen? It begins by making new friends and sharing with old ones, through singing, skits, talks given by teens, videos, games, worship and conversation with each other.



#### Youth Events for March

March 13th Middle School Lock-In

March 15th Kids Serving Kids Car Wash

March 29 and April 5 Spring Break (No Sunday School)

\*\*Easter Eggs are needed for the Annual
Easter Egg Hunt April 12\*\*

Contact Beth Baker at bethbaker@bellsouth.net

#### Other Christ Church Ongoing Projects

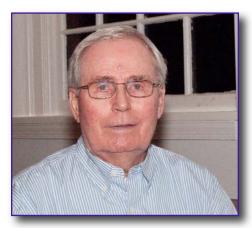
Adopt a Haven Family - The Haven has an ongoing need for clothing and supplies for mothers and children sheltering from domestic violence. Contact Patricia Marks (244-5159); spmarks@bellsouth.net. Needs list on bulletin board.

**Pop Tabs** - Please continue to collect pop tabs to benefit the Atlanta Ronald McDonald Houses. Please add them to the container on the round table in the parish hall.

**Pencil & Paper Project** - Katherine Mayer continues to collect school supplies for the Iraqi children and will send the items when she has a new contact in the U.S. Army.

#### Christ Church Looks Back

by Joseph A. Tomberlin



Dr. Joseph Tomberlin

This year *The Vineyard* is helping the parish family celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of Christ Church on Patterson Street by looking back at historical documents from 1948-1949. The February edition reprinted the program from the laying of the church cornerstone in September 1948 and included a list of items placed in the cornerstone. Now, in March, The Vineyard reproduces the Minutes of the Vestry meeting of September 5, 1948. Those Minutes, though brief, provide considerable specific information about the church construction project.

The document identifies the architect as Mr. Greer. Other materials in the parish records confirm that he was, in fact, Lloyd Greer, one of Valdosta's most eminent architects of the past. The contractor is listed as Mr. Tinker, who was found to be the owner of Tinker Concrete Company of Macon. Jerome Tillman, then Senior Warden, provides a concise review of the financial status of the building project and warns that the

#### Christ Episcopal Church Valdosta.

Regular Meeting of the Vestry—Sept. 5th, 1948

Services held at 11 A.M., with meeting immediately following. Present were: Messrs White, Tillman, Morrison, Dawson, Robinson and Macks, with Messrs Caldwell and Goodin also present.

Mr. Tillman gave a review of the building situation, showing our exact position--\$28,187.15 on hand, with \$23000.00 coming from the Bishop. It is not enough for our purposes, and we must add to our funds, especially securing payment of promises and unpaid pledges. We need \$2136 to actually complete the building (without assembly hall) and another \$5 to 7000 for furniture and fixtures.

Mr. Macks advised construction bond had been placed and issued, covering performance of Mr. Tinker, the contractor.

Rev. White reported that final plans had been made and accepted for the larger and more efficient kitchen, as decided upon by the ladies and the building committee. Hardware and lighting fixtures will be chosen by the Rector and [the architect] Mr. [Lloyd] Greer.

Rev. White emphasized the necessity of close cooperation of all in the actual operation of the Church, not only the small group of "Old Faithfuls" – real assistance needed from all of the congregation.

Mr. Dawson was appointed superintendent of the Sunday School with Mr. Fry assisting.

Rev. White advised that the old cornerstone of the former Church building had been cleaned and re-engraved and was ready to be set. It was decided to hold the ceremony on Friday the tenth, with Mr. Goodin acting as deputy for the Bishop.

Being no further business, meeting was adjourned.

Robert G. Macks Clerk of the Vestry

money available "is not enough for our purposes." He points out the approximate sum needed to complete construction "without assembly hall," meaning the present parish hall, and to pay for "furniture and fixtures." Consequently, the raising of additional funds was necessary. Future editions of *The Vineyard* will use other documents to show how the needed money was found and the entire construction job, including the parish hall, was completed.

# February 22, 2009 60th Anniversary Celebration & Miller House Farewell







The Lowndes Area Ministries to People (LAMP) plans to adopt the Miller House and move it at no expense to Christ Church. Before a work session to remove items from the building, Fr. Ingeman held a "Going Away" blessing of the house in conjunction with the 60th Anniversary Celebration of the building of Christ Church on Patterson Street.







Photos 1: Paul Stevenson and Cliff Baker prepare the barbecue. Photo 2: Stella Clark slices cake. Photo 3: Pepi Nelson helps clean out the Miller House.

#### The Red Duffel Bag is Full!

Catherine Oglesby plans to visit a Guatemalan orphanage in March with two friends from Vermont, including her goddaughter Chelsea Catherine Wait. Chelsea traveled to Guatemala City on a mission trip when she was in high school and will return there with Catherine to see the children again. The Hogar San Geronimo Emiliani orphanage houses children from birth to six years old.

Thanks to the generosity of Christ Church parishioners, the red duffel in the parish hall was quickly filled with school supplies so that Catherine can deliver them to the orphanage when she visits. Because the children are so young, she requested pre-school and kindergarten level educational supplies such as colored pencils, paper, small pencil sharpeners, #2 pencils, construction paper, design stamps with

ink pads, small rulers and erasers, or other age-appropriate educational toys.

Because airlines restrict the amount of luggage, this is the only bag that she could take on this visit.

Catherine is very grateful for the amazing generosity shown for this need and thanks the Christ Church parishoners for their help in the successful completion of this project.



Catherine Oglesby





#### 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.\*

Thursday: 7:00 a.m.

\*Nursery Available

10:45 a.m. Christian Education\*

Second Saturday of each month: 6:00 p.m. Holy Communion

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