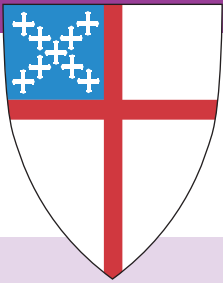


# The Vineyard

Christ Episcopal Church - Valdosta, Georgia

June 2010



## Mark Your Calendar

VBS postponed  
until August 4

### June 3

Diocesan Capital  
Campaign Feasibility  
Workshop  
All Saints, Thomasville  
7 - 9 p.m.

### June 12 - 19

Dominican Republic  
Mission Trip

### June 19

Elizabeth Armstrong/  
Aaron Davis wedding  
6 p.m. at Christ Church

## Honey Creek Camps

### June 20 - 26

High School Camp

### June 27 - July 3

St. Peter's Camp

### August 4

A Walk With the Good  
Shepherd Bible Camp

### August 21

Jim Elliott's Ordination  
St. Peter's, Savannah  
11 a.m.

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valdosta.org](http://www.christchurchvaldosta.org)

## Molly Stevenson in the Dominican Republic

**M**olly Stevenson, one of 14 members of the Standing Commission on Mission and Evangelism for the national Episcopal Church, met with the committee in the Dominican Republic April 14-19 as a guest of Bishop Julio Holguín, Bishop of the Dominican Republic and one of three bishops on the committee. All of the members are bishops, priests, deacons, or lay members who were appointed either by the Presiding Bishop or by the President of the House of Deputies from among the deputies at the General Convention to work between the triennial meetings.

The mandate of the commission is to *"identify, study and consider policies, priorities and concerns as to the effectiveness of The Episcopal Church in advancing, within this Church's jurisdictions, God's mission to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ, including patterns and directions for evangelism, Church planting, leadership development, and ministries that engage the diversity of the Church's membership and the communities it serves, and to make recommendations to General Convention."*



Photographs by Megan Anderson, committee secretary

In April twelve members of the commission met at the Bishop Kellogg Center in San Pedro de Macoris. Most of the time, the group met jointly and traveled to nearby



cities to observe missions and work in the Dominican Republic. According to Molly, the local people are doing much of the evangelism, but a DR Diocesan staff member, Ellen Snow, coordinates Episcopal mission groups. She estimates there are about 50 mission trips a year.

The priests in the Dominican diocese usually serve at least two congregations and oversee medical clinics, schools, and assisted living homes.

"The people of the Dominican Republic we met were so gracious," said Molly. "Even in extreme poverty, the people are joy-filled with the Holy Spirit."

One of the highlights of the trip for Molly was worshipping in a church singing familiar hymns but in Spanish.

One suggestion that came out of the meetings was to use a variety of media for the church message but make it more relevant to the audience.

"Mission and evangelism reflect how we are in the world," said Molly. "Our actions are the mission. It doesn't matter what we have. It's about relationships. The people serve where they are needed."

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The Rev. Tar Drazdowski, Assistant  
Rector

Stella Clark, Deacon

Jim Elliott, Deacon

Patricia Marks, Deacon

Molly Stevenson, Parish Secretary

Amy Creasy, Bookkeeper

Sue Ellen Rumstay, Organist

Ben Stroup, St. Gregory Choir Director

Maggie Roberts, St. Francis Choir Leader

Julia and Julius Ariail, Newsletter

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Joe Tomberlin

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## Vestry Report from April 26, 2010

- Reported the new pledge total for the Capital Campaign as \$1,103,000.
- Voted to recommend Nancy Sartin as a candidate for deacon at the Commission on Ministry meeting scheduled at Christ Church May 7-8.
- Presented and discussed the letter to be sent to Bishop Benhase for our church covenant.
- Received report on the end of the year activities for the college ministry with an open house at the Louttit House on May 4, VSU Dead Day, with food provided by parishioners.
- Announced the total raised by the parish at the auction for the Dominican Republic mission trip as \$8,500.
- Described the expanded participation at the Heritage House ministry.



Dave Clark, Senior Warden and Mike Tanner, Junior Warden

- Reported that the Haven will be raising funds for a new building.
- Received report on end of the year youth activities with Teacher Appreciation Day scheduled for May 5, and Senior Sunday scheduled for May 23.
- Encouraged participation in Relay for Life, April 30 and May 1 to support the American Cancer Society.
- Announced the death and funeral arrangements for longtime Christ Church member Dr. Marshall Parks.

## Thanks to Fr. Peter, Happy, and All at Christ Church

*I want to thank you all, dear brothers and sisters, for your faithful prayers on behalf of me and Steve. Thank you also for the cards, phone calls, and visits. I am deeply grateful to our gracious Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, for His love and care manifested in you. It has meant a great deal to me. Well, as the younger generation puts it, Christ Church rocks!*

*In His love and grace, Maria*

## Vacation Bible School

**Postponed until August 4 for one-day  
Good Shepherd Bible Camp.**

## Second Saturday Eucharist

**Suspended for June and July to reconvene in August.**

## Borders' and Valencia Bible Studies

**Suspended for the summer to reconvene in the fall.**

## Words for the Season After Pentecost

**Faith Promise Grace**

# From the Rector

## Graduations



Late May and early June are graduation time. This year Christ Church honors quite a few who will receive diplomas and degrees. A time of preparation ends, and they go on to new challenges, some to additional education, some to the professional world. It is a transition. We might say the same about the disciples. Pentecost has been called "the birthday of the church." It might well be called Graduation Day. The significance of Pentecost can be lost in the colorful images of rushing winds and tongues of flame and the speaking or hearing of the Gospel in many languages; all to be celebrated. In the midst of it all, the real event is a sort of graduation, a sort of empowerment. The classes and lessons are finished; they have been prepared; now it is time for the disciples to carry what they learned out into the world and educate others. They have all the information they need to change the world and they have received the Holy Spirit. What will they do with their education; where will they go in life? We really don't know, just as we don't know what the future will hold for this year's graduates. History tells us that those graduates of Pentecost changed the world.

Peter+



*Photograph on Ascension Day,*

*Fr. Peter and Happy's 10th Anniversary at Christ Church. The Men in Blue cooked a barbecue supper and the Vestry donated \$1,000 to the Capital Campaign in Peter and Happy's honor.*

### Campaign Update by Sandra Fletcher

**\$1,168,400**  
**May 23,**  
**2010**

The urgent need for expanded facilities for Christian education, fellowship, and other activities has awakened the generous spirit of Christ Church parishioners! In just over five months we are half way to our goal of \$2.5 million. Thank you to all who have pledged their support. "Thank you"... these words seem woefully inadequate when you consider the possibilities

these new facilities will bring to Christ Church. Our thriving youth programs will have "state of the art" rooms and activities areas to learn of and share God's love. The new nursery will provide safe, clean, and larger spaces for our tiny people. And the new parish hall and kitchen will welcome and embrace the ever-growing events at Christ Church.

The rest of the story is that we have only raised half of what we need to build the planned facilities. The Campaign committees are doing an excellent job of moving the campaign toward the goal. We must all catch our breaths and raise the remaining \$1.25 million. We have about 2 ½ years to do that. We still have many people to talk to about supporting the campaign. There will be events and giving opportunities for all. This is your campaign! Remember that God has no hands but ours, He has no feet but ours, and He has no bank accounts but ours. As good stewards of all of the material things He has given us, we are called to give a portion back to enable our parish to share God's love in our community, our nation, and the world. What a wonderful place it will be!

### In the Dominican

*From page 1*

In the Dominican recently the Bishop decided to attack the problem of illiteracy by establishing a system of tutoring. They also feed the children so that they will be prepared to learn.

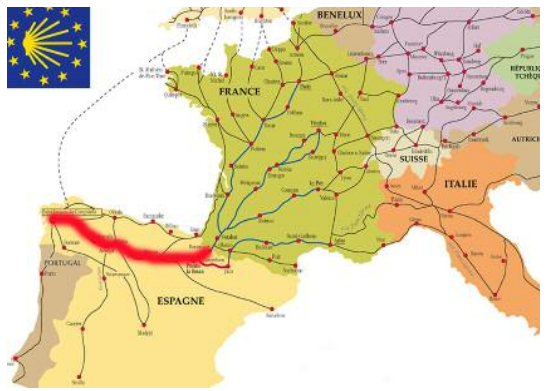
"It is a huge honor to represent our church, diocese, state and national church," said Molly. "I get to go places I've never been before and work to help others."



Congratulations to Molly on her recent graduation from VSU!

*The Vineyard, p. 3, June 2010*





## Deacon Stella Clark To Walk the Way of St. James in Spain in June

Deacon Stella Clark will be walking on a pilgrimage along the Way of St. James in Spain from May 25 until July 6. She will be accompanied by her friend, the Rev. Joan Kilian, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church in Statesboro, GA. The Way of St. James is an ancient pilgrimage route across northern Spain, usually starting from Roncesvalles in southern France and ending 480 miles away at the Cathedral in the Spanish city of Santiago de Compostela, where

according to legend the remains of St. James are buried.

Pilgrims carry a "passport" which is stamped at significant places along the route, proving that they have made the arduous trek. 2010 will actually be a "Jubilee" year for the pilgrimage, and approximately 100,000 other walkers may be on the move during these summer months to the Cathedral, where a Mass is said at noon each day to welcome the pilgrims at the end of their journey.

After visiting the Cathedral, Stella and Joan will continue on a short distance to Cape Finisterre, Spain's westernmost point along the Atlantic coast, to rest by the ocean for a few days. Stella retired from her position as a nurse in the Lake Park Elementary School on May 20th, and stated that this pilgrimage will be an excellent way to "get away from it all and to think about what I want to do in the coming years." Look for an end-of-pilgrimage report in the August *Vineyard*.

## Christ Church at Relay for Life Event April 30-May 1



The rainy Friday evening did not dampen the spirits of the Christ Church parishioners who participated in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life 2010. This is the third consecutive year we have set up a tent, donated money, and walked the track at the Valdosta Middle School to honor all in our community who have had cancer.

Beth Baker and Molly Stevenson organized our participation. Julie Jackson, a member of the Survivor's Committee, helped serve food to over 300 with co-chairs Cheryl Horn and Derenda Selph. Christ Church parishioners generously donated over \$1,500 including \$800 for luminaries.

According to Beth Baker, "This is a great opportunity to reach out to our community and show others that there are many ways that we, at Christ Church, live the life of compassionate and loving Christians."





## Christ Episcopal Church Preschool celebrates May 1 at the Maypole



## Preschool Teacher Appreciation Luncheon May 5



The parents of the students at the Christ Church Preschool hosted a Cinco de Mayo luncheon in the parish hall. Parents, students, teachers and staff enjoyed the festive occasion.







## Special Days Remembered in June



### BIRTHDAYS

- |                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Bill Sineath      | 14 Sheelagh Panizzi |
| 2 Ingrid Carroll    | Jan Skinner         |
| Willa Valencia      | George Tidmore      |
| 3 Wilby Coleman     | 15 Sue Sandbach     |
| Natalie Gjertsen    | 16 Thomas Rutledge  |
| 4 Molly Wolfson     | 17 Caty Carter      |
| Ron Bezona          | 18 Louis Levy       |
| 5 Sally Querin      | 20 Beulah Murphy    |
| 6 Nicholas Balanis  | Eleanor Parten      |
| Lee Phillips        | 22 Danielle Pitts   |
| 8 Abigail Macheski- | Mollee Puckett      |
| Preston             | 23 Larry Wisenbaker |
| Victoria Warrick    | 25 Buddy Pitts      |
| 9 Patricia Isaacson | 27 Gloria Coleman   |
| 10 Pam Guice        | Liz Williams        |
| Rena Nelson         | 28 Karen Diamond    |
| 11 Charles Dennis   | Terry Parsons       |
| John David Greneker | 30 Stella Clark     |
| 12 Jerry Byrd       | Teresa Sage         |
| Bryant White        | Lauren Rutledge     |
| 13 Bradford Hanson  |                     |

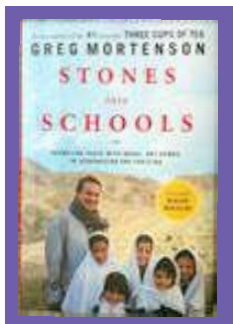
### BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 Elizabeth Armstrong  
 4 Joe Tomberlin  
 5 Alden Myddelton  
 Thomas Myddelton  
 Maria Taylor  
 7 Tristan Guice  
 Abigail Macheski-Preston  
 Emily Macheski-Preston  
 Erin Macheski-Preston  
 Mary Catherine  
 Macheski-Preston  
 Raini Singleton  
 9 Sally Ann Coleman  
 Claire Holland  
 11 Happy Ingeman  
 Barbara Warren  
 12 Robin Coleman  
 14 Alex Lind  
 Mallory Lind  
 David Sandbach  
 Amber Tanner  
 15 Lucy Tomberlin  
 20 Leigh Prine  
 22 Sally Nunn  
 25 Julia Claire Copeland  
 28 Lee Phillips

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Mike & Phyllis Holland  
 Chris & Karen May  
 9 John & Phyllis Hiers  
 12 Walton & Jan Carter  
 15 Bill & Sally Nunn  
 17 Ken & Marilyn Davis  
 Peter & Happy Ingeman  
 Kip & Tina Nunn  
 18 Clinton & Jeana Beeland  
 21 Charlie & Melanie  
 Schwallenberg  
 24 Jerry & Judy DeMott

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



## The Church Bookshelf

by Patricia Marks

### *Stones into Schools*

By Greg Mortenson. Viking, 2010.



Deacon Patricia Marks

Here's a set of unlikely heroes: 14 tribal leaders on shaggy, short-legged horses, riding for weeks through the Wakhan Corridor, a remote area bordering Pakistan, to beg, not for food or arms, but for a school. Here's another: a regular guy, impractical and idealistic, who cajoles support to educate that area's forgotten population—girls and women. Peace through education is Mortenson's aim, and as he pursues this dream, we struggle with him over impassible roads, glory in the mountaintops' sharp, thin air, and ache for those who have little hope of surviving the winter. We listen as he barter with bandits and government

officials, and marvel at the jirga (assembly) of tribal elders, Afghan soldiers, and the Commander of the US Army's Task Force Saber, all cooperating to establish a girls' school in a Taliban area. And the photos--intent children clustered around books, successful maternal health specialists returning to their villages—illustrate the Afghan proverb: "Mountains can never reach each other, despite their bigness. But humans can." May we have the eyes to see, the hearts to care, and the hands to reach out to accomplish our dreams.

## The Commission on Ministry

by Dr. John Hiers



Last month's Vineyard readers learned about the work of convocational discernment committees, and, more specifically, that of the Albany Discernment Committee. The Rev. Nancy Mills, Vicar of Good Shepherd in Thomasville and chair of our area's discernment committee, cogently explained the initial process for aspirants for Holy Orders. Stating that the "work of the discernment committee happens best in a prayerful, open atmosphere of confidence and trust," she may also describe how the work of the Commission on Ministry works best.

This work begins when the Commission receives formal applications for postulancy from aspirants who have been approved by their priest, discernment committees, and the bishop. The applications, whether for the diaconate or priesthood, must show thoughtful self analysis, a rule of life, and for the diaconate, a vocational statement. As required by the diocese, these applications must be complemented by the psychological analyses of a clinical psychologist and a licensed psychiatrist.

The bishop appoints the members of the Commission on Ministry to include priests, deacons, and laypersons from throughout the diocese. The diocese schedules simultaneous dates for meetings of the Commission and the Standing Committee who then separately interview all applicants at all stages of the process. After the Commission and the Bishop approve an aspirant for the priesthood or the diaconate, they clarify the postulant's required training, which may cover the next three or more years. For those who aspire

to be priests, this training may include attendance at a seminary approved by the bishop. Those who "read for orders" currently may attend summer programs offered by an approved seminary (usually Sewanee) and work closely with examining chaplains, priests appointed by the bishop to ensure a solid knowledge of church history, theology, scripture, and other appropriate topics. Approved postulants for the permanent diaconate participate in the diocese's School for Deacons. The deacons of the diocese plan the curriculum and provide teachers for this school, with the approval of the bishop and the Commission on Ministry.

Throughout this process, the Bishop of Georgia, the Standing Committee, and the Commission on Ministry monitor the progress of all postulants. Eventually they make the decision whether or not to approve postulants as candidates for ordination to holy orders.

Recently, Bishop Benhase directed the Commission to consider certain revisions of this entire process. Under his direction, the Commission has begun discussions of possible improvements and hopes to publish revised guidelines as soon as possible.

The current chair of the Commission on Ministry is Father Jim Clendinen, Church of the Annunciation, Vidalia. Christ Church representatives include John Hiers and Deacon Stella Clark.

Christ Church recently hosted a meeting of both the Standing Committee and the Commission on Ministry on May 7 - 8, 2010.

On April 22, the late John (Bud) Curtis, former director of the St. Francis Choir, was remembered along with 13 others at the 26th annual National Crime Victims' Rights Week event at City Hall. Several members of Christ Church were present, including fellow choir member Katherine Mayer who lit the memorial candle next to Bud's framed photograph. The event was organized by the Office of the District Attorney of Lowndes County.





## Dominican Republic Mission Update

### The 2010 Mission Team

As the 18 people on our team set off for the Dominican Republic on June 11, we would like to ask for your prayers every day that we are away.

**Friday and Saturday, June 11 & 12** - Pray for safe travel as we go by car to Orlando, FL, on two separate flights to the Dominican Republic, and by bus to the camp and conference center in El Pedregal.

**Sunday, June 13** - Pray for us as we prepare for the Bible school, work projects and knitting classes.

**Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, June 14 - 16** - Pray for good health and the safety of our team members as we conduct Bible school, work on the houses in need of repair in the community of El Pedregal, and teach knitting to those who come to the classes.

**Thursday, June 17** - Pray for safe travel for the Beelands who are returning early to Valdosta and for the children of El Pedregal to experience the love of God through water, laughter and the Holy Spirit.

**Friday, June 18** - Pray for safe travel to the capital Santo Domingo.

**Saturday, June 19** - Pray for safe travel for the team to Orlando, FL and then home.

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*Mr. and Mrs. Luther William Armstrong, Jr.  
request the honour of your presence  
at the marriage of their daughter*

*Margaret Elizabeth*

*to*

*Daniel Aaron Davis*

*on Saturday, the nineteenth of June  
two thousand and ten*

*at six o'clock in the evening*

*Christ Episcopal Church  
Valdosta, Georgia*

*Reception immediately following ceremony  
Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts*



**E-MAIL**  
a patient



### Send a Get Well Message

Send an online get well message to friends and church members in South Georgia Medical Center. Go to [www.sgmc.org](http://www.sgmc.org) and click on E-mail a Patient, pick a card design, put in the name and room number of the recipient and type a message. The card will be delivered by the Pink Ladies the day you send it.



## Graduate Recognition Sunday, May 23



Congratulations to Tristan Guice - VHS, Elizabeth Hanson - LHS, Luke Kelly - LHS, Mary Macheski-Preston - VHS, Katie Querin - Valwood, Jake Wisenbaker - LHS, Chris Sandbach - Armstrong Atlantic University, Molly Stevenson - VSU, Krystle Kennedy Black - VSU, Joshua David Bradley, Dori Carter - Ole Miss (December '09), and Rob Kellner - VSU.



## UTO Spring Ingathering May 23rd

## Food for Thought For Canterbury Club



This year's Dead Day, the day between the end of the semester classes and the beginning of final exams at VSU, was May 4. Christ Church opened Louttit Hall to 25 students to "just be together, eat, study, and relax," said the Rev. Tar Drazdowski. They closed the day with a Holy Eucharist service.

Thanks to all who brought food: John & Phyllis Hiers, Jane Kinney, Julia & Julius Ariail, Charlie Cosey and the students who cooked the taco supper.



## Angel Food Ministries

Food boxes with food for a week for 4 people are available for \$30 at two pickup sites in Valdosta, in Lake Park, Hahira, and Morven on the 3rd Saturday of each month. Payment is made by cash, check or money order. If you know someone who needs to stretch their food dollars, tell them about this opportunity. Go online to see this month's menu and to order the food at [www.angelfoodministries.com](http://www.angelfoodministries.com).



## The Daughters of the King

The Daughters of the King welcomed three new Daughters on Sunday, May 25th at the 9:30 a.m. service. They are Diane Halim, Sally Querin, and Amber Tanner. Fr. Peter led the dedication with the Rev. Tar assisting. A welcome reception and meeting was held following the service. The Rev. Tar, a DOK daughter, was presented a special DOK cross to wear while she is on the Dominican Republic mission trip. A new class will start in September. Please contact Pat Bezona (229-242-8289) or any DOK member.

## The Motto of the Order

*For His sake...I am but one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. What I can do, I ought to do. What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do. Lord, what will you have me do?*



# Christ Church Looks Back

by Joseph A. Tomberlin

In addition to the points Fr. Clifton White made in his letter of July 13, 1952, to the Vestry and summarized in May's article, he asked, as he put it, that the Vestry "work WITH me instead of BEHIND me in forwarding our program here . . . ." This meant that the Vestry should "seriously consider using the [American Church Building Fund Commission] loan to our advantage. . . ." He wanted the Vestry to "seriously apply for Parish status" and call him as the first Rector, as agreed previously. The salary increase to be paid him by Christ Church could be "proportionally what you CAN assume of . . . [his] college salary" while he continued to do some teaching at V.S.C. With those steps accomplished, Fr. White declared, "we shall . . . be moving forward in a spiritual sense."

On the material side, he insisted that Vestry either "fix up" the existing Rectory on West North Street, "as agreed," or acquire "a new Rectory at once." Fr. White outlined for the Vestry the steps that he had taken "to keep your property up." He had painted the Rectory's interior, had the house ceiled and roofed, had the porch and steps repaired, and had the exterior painted. He and Mrs. White had placed plants in the yard and had grassed the lawn. Consequently, the Rectory was in good condition to be sold. If vestrymen did not wish to sell the house, they could modernize

the downstairs by adding a new room and a bath, as approved already. Either, Fr. White said, was a "progressive step" that should be viewed "as a Church advance."

Regarding the issue of what Bishop Barnwell had once referred to as his "churchmanship," he wrote:

*You need not worry. . . . I can be a Prayer Book Churchman, as I should, without going to the ridiculous (to me) excesses of the High Church position, or going to the neglectful excesses of the Low Church position. I hope we can be good churchmen – you in your single ways, as I in mine, without anyone objecting to the other.*

Fr. White pointed out that Valdosta was "a two-College town" [because Emory at Valdosta was still in operation at the time], and he believed that Christ Church needed a Vicar familiar with the collegiate environment. Given his nineteen years of college teaching, he could meet "College folk" with "familiar ease at the Church." He wrote, "For the present, no other kind of Minister could serve appropriately here. And since I seem to be that kind, I am willing to give up moving entirely out of the classroom to help our Church serve you AND the College group also."

He concluded his letter by urging that he and the Vestry "consider seriously, in a PROPER kind of meeting, the points which I have here raised." He reiterated that Christ Church could "use the

\$16,000," referring to the loan offered by the A.C.B.F.C. The Vestry could pay him less than it had approved, increasing the amount "only as you CAN add. . . ." The Vestry could "help" Christ Church by upgrading "Rectory facilities. . . ." And the Vestry could "keep a minister here, as your Rector, who knows the needs of you and your fellow Churchmen as well as the needs of his charges at the College."

The most immediate sequel to the Vicar's letter was a called Vestry meeting on the evening of July 18, 1952, attended by Fr. White and six vestrymen. Here the story becomes muddy again, for the Minutes refer to Senior Warden Glen Robinson's reading aloud a letter from Bishop Barnwell, dated June 27, 1952. That communication did not survive in Parish records, so its contents are unknown. The Minutes say only that Mr. Robinson "had attempted to contact the Bishop, without avail, and therefore need for immediate action on part of the Vestry [was] indicated." Fr. White at once asked to be allowed to "state his position" and did so by reading his July 13th letter and by "discussing at length the differences between 'high' and 'low' Church." A prolonged debate followed, dealing with the points Fr. White made and with "the desire . . . [of] the Congregation to have the Vicar remain here, his own wish to do so, and the wish of the Bishop," (not known to us) presumably expressed in his missing letter of June 27.

More of this in July.



## Canterbury Club Pool Party



text and photographs by Pat Bezona



The Canterbury Club had an end of VSU school pool party at Ron and Pat Bezona's home on Sunday, May 2. They had fun in the "cold" pool, played pool in the game room and shared what they would like to do in the new

school year. Charlie and Patti Cosey and the Rev. Tar had breakfast, lunch and snacks on Tuesday, May 4th, exam study day. They had fellowship and a break from studying at the Louttit House. We would like to thank all the parishioners who helped with food for the year and exam study day. The food was delicious!!

**Scholarships are available. Contact church office.**

## Honey Creek Camp Schedule

High School Camp	June 20-26	Grades 9-12
St. Peter's Camp	June 27-July 3	Grades 6-8
St. Gregory - Music Camp	July 11-17	Grades 3-6
Sts. Joseph & Mary Camp	July 11-17	Grades 3-6
St. Francis Camp	July 18-24	Grades 7-9

Send your child to camp! Brochures and applications are available on the information table in the parish hall. Cost for each camp is \$395. If you would like to help a child to experience camp, write a tax-deductible check to Camp Honey Creek. Applications are also available online at [www.honeycreek.org](http://www.honeycreek.org).

## St. Francis Animal Ministry

by Karen Gunter



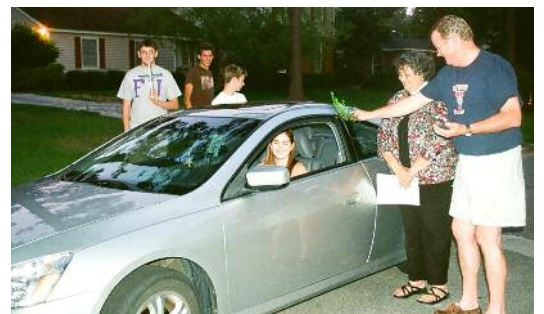
Hi! My Name is Palin.  
I really need a home to call my own.  
I have been spayed and  
have had all my shots.  
I love people and other animals.  
If you want to come and see me,  
please call Karen Gunter at  
(229) 794-8146 or (229) 560-4472  
I can't wait to meet you!

## End of Year EYC Events

by Beth Baker

As the school year comes to a close, our Wednesday night EYC classes also break for the summer. The Little Guys ended their year with a pool party at the home of Mimi Allen. Ms. Mimi and Mrs. Phyllis Hiers did an outstanding job teaching God's word to these youngsters all school year. With such a broad range of ages, this was no easy task. The middle school kids ended their year at Jac's Lanes with a few rounds of bowling and lots of food. We will be losing many members of this age group as they move on to high school. They will be TRULY missed. The high school age EYC group had their last meeting at the home of the Alex and Carter Elliott. The kids had an end of the year blessing and send off with a blessing of the autos by Rev Tar and Rev Jim. The Elliotts and Dr. Dan gave so much of their time and energy this year...we are blessed to have them as part of Christ Church family!

Photographs by Phyllis Hiers and Susan Elliott.



## Youth News

by Beth Baker

### Safeguarding God's Children

Safeguarding God's Children is a curriculum designed for the Episcopal Church to keep our children and teachers safe. Beth Baker and Caitlin Kirk are both certified to deliver this class to our parish and hope to reach every member of Christ Church with this class. It is open to every adult and required for all the staff. Everyone is asked to recertify every 3 years. The class provides a basic understanding of the dynamics of child sexual abuse, how to recognize signs that a child may have been abused, and what to do if you have concerns about a person's behavior toward a child or youth, or if you suspect that a child or youth has been molested. Eight people participated in the most recent class on May 15.

### "A Walk With The Good Shepherd"

After reviewing the church's plans for summer and fall activities, we have decided not to conduct a Vacation Bible School this summer. Rather than VBS previously scheduled for June 6-9, we will be having a one day Bible Camp from 9 until 2 on August 4th. If you are interested in sending your child to a fun-filled day at Christ Church, you will need to preregister. This year, we will be doing age specific crafts, a Godly Play on the Good Shepherd parable, songs, a church service that night, Altar Guild duties, and of course outside games and fun in the water! If you are willing to work, donate materials, snacks or contributions, please contact me at 251-1143 or [<bethbaker@bellsouth.net>](mailto:bethbaker@bellsouth.net).

### Elizabeth Hanson is the Rector for Happening #85

Our very own Elizabeth Hanson will be serving as the upcoming Rector of Happening #85, July 30 - August 1! The daughter of Cathy and Jeff Hanson and the granddaughter of Ann and Brad Burnette, Elizabeth is the perfect choice to lead such a wonderful and God-filled weekend. She has been an active member of Sunday School, EYC and church life. As many of you may remember, this year she provided the homily for Youth Sunday and did an outstanding job. Elizabeth will soon be leaving us to join the Crimson Tide at the University of Alabama. Please pray for the upcoming Happening and pray that it touches the lives of the youth and adults who participate.

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## Join us for Regular Services

**Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion      9:30 a.m. Holy Communion\*      10:45 a.m. Christian Education\***  
**11:30 a.m. Holy Communion\*      6:00 p.m. Vespers**  
**Tuesday: 10:30 a.m. @ Langdale Place      Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.\*      Thursday: 7:00 a.m.**  
**Second Saturday of each month: 6:00 p.m. Holy Communion (Except June & July)      \*Nursery Available**

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