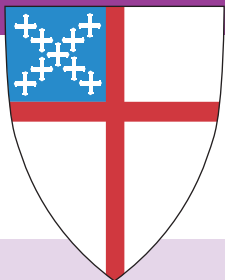


# The Vineyard

Christ Episcopal Church - Valdosta, Georgia

December 2010



## Mark Your Calendar

**December 10 - 11**

Happening Staff Lock-In

**December 11**

St. Francis Tea - 4 p.m.

**December 15**

Blessing of the Special  
Olympics Scarves -  
6:45 p.m.

**December 19**

Rectory Open House  
4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

**December 22**

Children's Christmas Party -  
9 a.m.

**December 23**

H.E.P. Party at Sandbachs'  
2607 Pebblewood Drive  
- 7 p.m.  
(Bring your favorite appetizer)

**December 24**

Christmas Eve - Children's  
Service - 5:30 p.m.  
(Bring a bell and a candle!)  
Midnight Mass - 11 p.m.

**December 25**

Christmas Day - 10:00 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist

**December 31**

Feast of the Holy Name  
Service - 6 p.m.

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

**A**dult Christian Education at Christ Episcopal Church features a variety of topics, days of the week, times, and formats. Six classes are available during the week. All welcome newcomers and casual drop-ins.

### Spiritual Growth

This class meets on Sunday mornings for approximately 45 minutes, usually in the rectory. The class will be taught in 6-week segments by different instructors who specialize in different aspects of spirituality. The class began with a segment entitled, "Time Management for Spiritual Growth," taught by Dr. Phyllis Holland, Professor of Management in the Valdosta State University College of Business Administration. There were 8 to 10 participants in the scripture-based class.

Lucy Tomberlin, who attended the class said, "The scripture established the need for spirituality in our lives, and Dr. Holland offered us some suggestions for ways to organize so that we had time for spiritual growth. A person needs to figure out what is important in life and set priorities," she concluded.

Next in the series was Fr. Ingeman's class on the nature of spirituality and Benedictine monasticism. Deacon Stella Clark talked about her pilgrimage to Santiago de Campostella. In early November she showed a video made by another pilgrim about the walk in Spain. In December Deacon Patricia Marks will



The Spiritual Growth class usually meets in the rectory. The class changes topics every six weeks.

teach a class on Advent prayer paths, including the labyrinth.

### Biblical Study

Deacon Nancy Sartin teaches this class, which meets in the front room of the parish hall at the Sunday School hour at 10:30 a.m. and lasts approximately 45 minutes. The class of 6 to 8 people is reading the Bible beginning with Genesis. Nancy says the



The Biblical Study class meets in the front of the parish hall on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m.

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## Vestry Report from October 18, 2010

### The Vineyard On the Web

The Vineyard is posted to the Christ Church Web site in color at [www.christchurchvaldosta.org](http://www.christchurchvaldosta.org). Click The Vineyard tab to view this publication.

### The Vineyard Deadline

The newsletter deadline is the 15th of the month prior to publication. Send information to [<juliacarail@bellsouth.net>](mailto:juliacarail@bellsouth.net) or phone 229-559-7329.

### Christ Episcopal Church

The Rt. Rev. Scott A. Benhase,  
Bishop of Georgia  
The Rev. Peter Ingeman, Rector  
The Rev. Tar Drazdowski, Assistant Rector  
The Rev. Jim Elliott, Priest Associate  
The Rev. Deacon Stella Clark  
The Rev. Deacon Patricia Marks  
The Rev. Deacon Nancy Sartin  
Beth Baker, Youth Coordinator  
Molly Stevenson, Parish Administrator  
Amy Creasy, Bookkeeper  
Sue Ellen Rumstay, Organist  
Kathy Armstrong, St. Gregory Choir Dir.  
Maggie Roberts, St. Francis Choir Leader  
Julia and Julius Ariail, Newsletter Editors

#### Vestry

Mimi Allen	Susan Elliott
Julia Ariail	Philip Gunter
Charles Boatwright	John Hiers
Tammy Borders	Phyllis Holland
Dave Clark	Aaron Parten
Jerry DeMott	Joe Singletary
Carolyn Eager	Mike Tanner
Joe Tomberlin	

#### Phone Numbers

Church Office	242-5115
The Rev. Ingeman	245-0799
The Rev. Drazdowski	249-0895
The Rev. Elliott	242-3333
The Rev. Dcn. Clark	559-6159
The Rev. Dcn. Marks	244-5159
The Rev. Dcn. Sartin	834-0147
Molly Stevenson	292-8215
<a href="http://www.christchurchvaldosta.org">www.christchurchvaldosta.org</a>	

- Approved \$5,000 for further painting of the church.
- Received a report that the Facilities Committee met with architects. Requested changes have been made to the drawings of the new Parish Hall and the new Education building, and the elevation problem had been dealt with. In addition, the Capital Funds campaign was very close to \$1.5 million in pledges.
- Approved Walter Hobgood for ordination to the transitional diaconate.
- Received report 2011 Stewardship Campaign letters would soon go out to the Parish to launch a one-month campaign. Also passed around copies of the proposed diocesan budget for 2011, which included \$10,000 for the V.S.U. chaplain position.
- Reported a proposed change in the Diocesan Canons, to be acted on the 2011 Convention in Valdosta, that would drop the "asking" for churches in the Diocese and insert an "assessment" at 10 percent for each church.
- Appointed the outgoing Vestry members as a Nominating Committee, with Phyllis Holland as Chair, to make certain that persons suggested for election to the Vestry actually be willing to serve before being placed on the ballot.
- Received report on Christian Education. The Rev. Tar



Dave Clark,  
Senior Warden



Mike Tanner,  
Junior Warden

Drazdowski is Bishop Benhase's representative on the Dominican Development Group and recently attended one of its meetings.

- Reported that Phyllis Holland and the Stitchers of Love will take part in a project to provide red and white knitted scarves for each participant in the Special Olympics.
- Received report from the Chancellor of the Diocese of Georgia that the Diocese presently is waiting for the Georgia Supreme Court to determine whether to hear the property litigation involving Christ Church Savannah.
- Noted that the Sunday School program is running well and announced upcoming events.
- Reminded the Vestry that Dr. John C. Roberts, a Professor Emeritus from McMasters University in Toronto, will speak twice at Christ Church on October 20-21. On the 20th his topic is "How Do We Speak of God?" and on the 21st his subject is "Secularism."
- Announced upcoming adult events: Oktoberfest, Cursillo, Adult Sunday School classes, and three Bible Study classes.

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# From the Rector



## WHY WE HAVE ADVENT

The theme was, "Opening the Doors of Christmas." All the local churches were to decorate for Christmas and then, on one day, the community could progress from church to church, admire the trees and the lights, have refreshments, and bask in the spirit of the holiday. All this was to take place on the first Sunday in December; just a bit too early. We, the Episcopal church, kept Advent. The Advent wreath was lighted, the purple hangings were up and Advent hymns were playing softly. We wondered what reaction we might have from those who visited and some, it is true, were not happy. We wondered why until one visitor said "You are a reminder of what used to be and should be." He was nostalgic about, and missed, the time of preparation that the season of Advent had once afforded him. He felt the rush, and the crush, of a Christmas season that began so early. He wanted space and quiet and a spiritual time to reflect on the wonder of The Incarnation, the supreme gift of God to him and to us all, a gift never matched by the biggest, shiniest, most expensive gift we can possibly give. All that was long ago. I have wondered at this time of year if he was able to create that time and space for himself and to keep Advent. It's the question for us. Advent is that time of preparation that you and I need right now. More than ever it seems our lives are filled with "things to do." Take the gift; take the time. Let the season unfold for you, within you.

With Blessings on this Advent Season.

Peter+

### 2011 Vestry Elected

Five new members were elected to serve three-year terms on the Christ Church Vestry. They are Clinton Beeland, Stefani Carroll, Sparky Greneker, Steve Roberts, and Lucy Tomberlin.

These new members replace outgoing members Mimi Allen, Charles Boatwright, Carolyn Eager, Phyllis Holland, and Joe Singletary. We extend our thanks and gratitude to them for their service and commitment.

Current Vestry members are listed in the information column on page 2 of this issue. Photographs of the new members and a feature article about the 2011 vestry will be printed in the January 2011 issue of *The Vineyard*.

### St. Francis Choir to play for Christmas Eve Children's Service

Calling all singers and players.... The 11:30 St. Francis Choir will be providing the music for the 5:30 p.m. service on Christmas Eve. Please join us for choir practice on Monday, December 20 at 6 p.m. as we prepare for the service. If you can't make the practice but would like to sing or play, please email Maggie Roberts at [roberts.maggie@gmail.com](mailto:roberts.maggie@gmail.com) so we will have music ready for you.



### Scarves for the Special Olympics

The Stitchers of Love invite you to knit or crochet a red or red-and-white scarf for the Special Olympics Winter Games to be held in Atlanta. Scarves should be 6" wide and 4 to 5 feet long; yarn is available. The blessing will take place after the evening service on Wed., Dec. 15th. Questions? Ask Phyllis Holland, 229-242-0577; [p holland@valdosta.edu](mailto:p holland@valdosta.edu) or Deacon Patricia Marks, 229-630-8486; [s pmarks@bellsouth.net](mailto:s pmarks@bellsouth.net).

### An Advent Walk: Prayers and Meditation December 5th & 12th

Meet with Deacon Patricia in the transept. All are welcome to join this Adult Sunday School class after the 9:30 a.m. service, when we will discuss the history and meaning of Advent and paths to meditation and prayer for the season. Afterwards, the labyrinth will be open for personal and group use through Dec. 12th.



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## Oktoberfest 2010

The Christ Church family, friends and guests enjoyed good food and fellowship at the annual Oktoberfest on October 28 in the parish hall. Jane Kinney, Sheri Gravett, Dennis and Patricia Marks, Dick and Debi Saeger, Mike and Julie Savoie and Steve and Maggie Roberts hosted the event.



## Butterfly Day at St. Marks

Eight Christ Church members braved the cold weather to see the last of the monarch butterflies at St. Marks National Refuge on Nov. 6. The picnic lunch with four varieties of pimento cheese and soup by Phyllis Hiers warmed the group.





# Christmas Card Project

by Julia Ariail

Dr. Hanae Kanno is an Assistant Professor in the Division of Social Work at Valdosta State University. She spent nine years at the University of Pittsburg School of Social Work, graduating with a Ph.D. and masters degrees. When she was interviewing for a job in July 2010, she met Christ Church member Diane Halim, an assistant professor of Social Work who was part of the interview team. After Diane brought Hanae to visit our church, Hanae knew she would choose Valdosta because, "God was telling me this could be my home," she said.

Hanae grew up in Tokyo, Japan, in a family with strong Episcopalian ties. Her great aunt, Ms. Utako Hayashi, translated for Channing Moore Williams, the Episcopal missionary to China and Japan from 1850 to 1900. Her great aunt and her great grandmother worked with The Rev. Williams to found the church Hanae attended her entire life, St. Margaret's. The women and Williams also founded a school and hospital. Hanae attended the school for 14 years, from pre-kindergarten through high school. The website of her Japanese Episcopal home church, St. Margaret's, is

<http://www.nskk.org/tokyo/church/margaret/index.htm>. The English language website for her Episcopal school in Japan, St. Margaret's School, is <http://www.rikkyo.ne.jp/grp/rittan/ST.MARGARET/index.html>.

In the 1980's Prof. Kanno's relative, Bishop Yamada, an Episcopal Bishop, made friends with the bishop of Maryland. They formed an exchange program and a sister church relationship. Hanae visited Maryland in the late 1990's staying in Churchville, Maryland, with three families for 10 days. Following her time as a guest, she was motivated to come back to America to graduate school.

## Christmas Card Project

Continuing her family's efforts to connect with Episcopalians wherever they are, Prof. Kanno would like to take Christmas cards signed by Christ Church members to the members of St. Margaret's church in Tokyo when she returns to Japan during the Christmas holidays beginning December 14.

She breaks into a smile when she talks about her home church. "It has about 200 members and a wonderful choir," she says. "There are three



Dr. Diane Halim and Dr. Hanae Kanno are working together on a Christmas Card Project between our church and Hanae's in Tokyo, Japan.

famous opera singers in our choir...very beautiful music."

"I am making a bridge between Japan and Georgia," she says.

Please bring a signed Christmas Card and put it in the red paper-covered box in the parish hall. Hanae will bring back cards for the senders signed by members of the Tokyo church when she returns at Epiphany.



Drop your cards of friendship and Merry Christmas wishes in this box in the parish hall by December 9.



## Kneeler Project

Bill Nunn, pictured at left in his home art studio, completed the designs of all twenty saints' symbols on the canvas for the new Christ Church kneelers. The stitchers picked up the kneelers and yarn on Thursday, November 11. Each of the ten kneelers has two saints' symbols. The saints represented are evangelists, the apostles, John the Baptist, Martha, Mary, Cecilia and Clare. Those who will work on the project are Jane Ferrell, Eloise Smith, Tilda Stubbs, LaVoe Houck, Frances Crawford, Bill Nunn, Sally Nunn, Julia Ariail, Nancy Sartin, and Gnann Moser. Jane, Eloise, and Tilda also worked on the six original kneelers for the altar rail.



## Special Days Remembered in December



### BIRTHDAYS

- |                       |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Kathryn Adams       | 15 Tar Drazdowski        |
| 2 Diane Halim         | Sheri Gravett            |
| Loyce Turner          | Chase Miley              |
| 4 Julie Savoie        | 17 Len Carter            |
| 5 Harry Cotterly      | 18 Sue Bentley           |
| Katie Schutt          | Noah Carroll             |
| 8 Thomason Gilchrist  | 19 Nathaniel Balanis     |
| Dylan Whiddon         | 20 Mary Tunison          |
| 9 Frances Guice       | 21 Jack Warren           |
| Mark Weston           | 23 Patricia Grieve       |
| 10 Miss Wilby Coleman | Hulyn Smith              |
| Ricky Johnson         | 26 Melanie Schwallenberg |
| Griffin Kirk          | 28 Mary Gray             |
| 12 Frank Corker       | Keith Tucker             |
| Katherine Miley       | 29 Tina Nunn             |
| 13 David Schert       | 31 Tammy Bezona          |
| Joe Stubbs            | Susan Chamberlain        |
| Maddie Yarbrough      |                          |

### BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

- 7 Georgianna Manning  
11 Frances Guice  
14 Sally Baker  
18 Grace Flemer  
19 Grace Tanner  
20 Joyce Dunmire  
Andrew Flemer  
Blake Yarbrough  
23 Ellis Moser  
24 Emory Warrick, Jr.  
26 Walter Hobgood  
29 Beth Curtis

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Brad & Ann Burnette  
2 Daniel & Katherine Mayer  
7 Harry & Nina Cotterly  
12 Emory, Jr. & Summer Warrick  
15 Mike & Amber Tanner  
16 Danny & Kim Clark  
Fred & Juanita Quinn  
Mark & Margaret Weston  
17 Joe & Ann Singletary  
19 Ron & Pat Bezona  
Richard & Robin Coleman  
Sandy & Elise Sandbach  
21 Jimmy & Ingrid Carroll  
23 Emory & Sylvia Warrick  
26 Buddy & Dottie Pitts  
29 Mike & Susie Kaiser  
30 Julius & Julia Ariail  
Tal & Norma Barnidge

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

### Christ Church Ongoing Projects

**Adopt a Haven Family** - The Haven has a special need for new or like-new clothing and kitchen supplies (appliances, dishes, etc.) for mothers and children moving out of the shelter. Contact Patricia Marks (244-5159); <[spmarks@bellsouth.net](mailto:spmarks@bellsouth.net)>.

**Kneelers Project** - Julia Ariail chairs this project to create 10 additional kneelers for our altar rail. (559-7329); <[juliacariail@bellsouth.net](mailto:juliacariail@bellsouth.net)>.

**Partnership for Health Clinic Project** - Diane Halim chairs this project for donations for specific items to patients and family.  
<[dhollim@valdosta.edu](mailto:dhollim@valdosta.edu)>.

**Pop Tabs** - Collect pop tabs to benefit the Atlanta Ronald McDonald Houses. Please add them to the container on the round table in the parish hall. Deacon Stella Clark chairs this project.  
<[stellaclarkcamino@gmail.com](mailto:stellaclarkcamino@gmail.com)>.

**Toiletries Project** - Gail Hobgood chairs the project to collect unused hotel toiletries for families at LAMP. <[WPHOBG@aol.com](mailto:WPHOBG@aol.com)>.

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### Sunday Night Service

David Schert and The Rev. Tar Drazdowski prepare for one of the new 8 p.m. Sunday night services at Christ Church.

### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

December 19 - Rectory Open House - 4 - 5:30 p.m.

December 22 - Children's Christmas Party - 9 a.m.

December 23 - H.E.P. Party at Sandy & Elise Sandbach's  
- 2607 Pebblewood Drive, 7 p.m.  
(Bring your favorite appetizer.)

December 24 - Christmas Eve  
5:30 p.m. - Children's Service  
(Bring a bell and a candle!)  
11:00 p.m. - "Midnight Mass"

December 25 - Christmas Day - 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

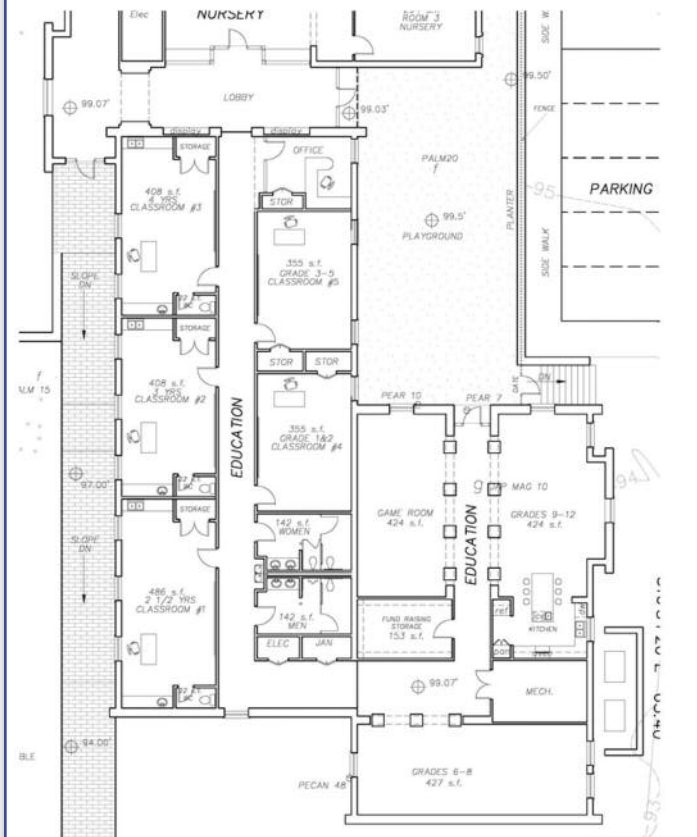
December 31 - Feast of the Holy Name Service - 6 p.m.



# Building Project Plan Update

## Proposed Education Building

Larger drawings are on display in the parish hall.



## It's one story, not two!

The facilities and building committees met with Barganier Davis Sims Architects recently to address changes suggested by Christ Church members. The significant changes are:

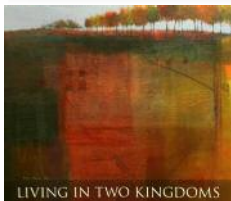
- Education building is now one story with no elevator
- New separate kitchen with the new parish hall
- Playground for Preschool has been enlarged
- Covered walkway to drop-off area and parking lot is an exterior space not requiring heat/air conditioning

The architects will submit a design development package on December 9 featuring:

- Floor Plans • 3D Models
- Elevations • Renderings

The finance committee is collecting information from lending institutions on construction loans. Please pay your 2010 building campaign pledge by December 27 so that the committee will have current information. If we all pay our pledges on time, the lending institutions will have confidence that we can repay any necessary loans on schedule.

Please  
pay your 2010  
building  
campaign  
pledge by  
12/27



## The Church Bookshelf

by The Rev. Deacon Patricia Marks

*Living in Two Kingdoms*

By David Adam. Morehouse, 2007.

David Adam, formerly the Vicar of the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, calls us to see our lives as the transparent places they are--the intersection of the material and spiritual, the holy and the down to earth. His call to contemplation comes through a set of eight perceptive meditations centered on the Prodigal Son story. Each chapter closes with a call to **Pause**, to be aware of God's Presence, to **Picture** a real-life application of the story, to **Ponder** the landscape of God's love, and to **Promise** to return home as the Prodigal did by maintaining an awareness of God's presence—which is, after all, an experiential form of prayer. It is that constant prayer, an ongoing conversation with God, that reveals the way the Spirit and the Flesh are interwoven and gives us the essence of Celtic spirituality.

## Church Repair



Being good stewards of our church means keeping it in good repair. Recently, we have had painters (with a



big blue lift!), organ tuners, and concrete repairmen at work on the property.





The Marriage and Family class meets in the choir room on Sunday Mornings at 10:30 for 45 to 50 minutes.



Dr. Willa Valencia teaches the Tuesday Night Bible class at the home of Eloise Smith, 607 Mack Drive at 7 p.m.



The Wednesday Night Bible class begins at 6:45 p.m. following the regular service and offers members an opportunity for supper at the church.



The Thursday Morning Bible class meets at 9 a.m. in the middle section of the parish hall for an hour.

class sometimes discusses the readings of the current Sunday particularly when there is a confusing or difficult lesson. One of the participants, Pepi Nelson said, "Having studied the Bible in EFM class, I particularly enjoy hearing the different perspectives and backgrounds the members of our parish bring to the class. We have a wide range of ages and points of view that are fascinating."

### **Marriage and Family**

Sandy and Elise Sandbach are teaching this class during the Sunday School hour beginning at 10:30 a.m. and lasting about 45 minutes. The class has a textbook entitled, "The Art of Being Together," written by The Rev. Dr. Francis Wade. The book is loosely based on the Marriage Encounter experience. There are several couples in the class – some recently married, some married for 15 years, and the teachers, married for 29 years. They talk about the balance in the marriage relationship and avoiding emotional adultery where work, children, obsessive-compulsive behavior, volunteerism, hobbies, and other people or things can become divisive factors which need to be kept in balance. One member of the class, Tina Nunn said, "It is wonderful to have the Sandbachs who are both professionals and have a very loving relationship as teachers."

Sandy Sandbach said, "This class is very rich in the diversity of experience with some people just married and others with 15 to 20 years experience. We would welcome others to join at any time."

### **Tuesday Night Bible Class**

Taught by Dr. Willa Valencia, the Tuesday night Bible class meets at 7 p.m. at the home of Eloise Smith at 607 Mack Drive. The group of 17 - 20 is studying I Peter and Exodus.

### **Wednesday Night Bible Class**

Tammy Borders teaches the Wednesday Night Bible class in the front room of the parish hall. The class begins at 6:45 p.m. Several parishioners attend the Wednesday night Eucharist and take the supper prepared by the Parten family into the class. They are studying the book of Daniel and using a DVD series by Beth Moore as a study guide. Ten to fifteen people usually attend this class.

### **Thursday Morning Bible Class**

The Thursday Morning Bible class meets in the middle section of the parish hall at 9 a.m. The class is taught by Fr. Ingeman. About 20 people regularly attend the class. Some parishioners attend the 7 a.m. Eucharist, share breakfast at King's Grill downtown, then return to the class. The study focuses on a chapter in the Bible, with the current chapter being II Kings. Usually each person reads a verse from the day's lesson from their Bible.

Happy Ingeman, a regular in the class, said, "Everyone participates. We compare translations and discuss the differences. It's fun. Some of the translations are very modern while the King James version is old and beautiful Jacobean language."

**Plan to attend a class in 2011. New participants are always welcome!**





### Blood Drive

Christ Church made the parking lot available to the Red Cross Blood Mobile recently so that VSU students and faculty would have easy access. They collected 17 pints of blood.



### UTO Ingathering

On Sunday, November 14, Christ Church collected money for the United Thank Offering. The money will be used all over the world for Christian outreach.



### Daughters of the King Installation

The new DOK members are Karen Gunter, Frances Jessup, Eleanor Parten, Josie Parten, Eloise Smith and Lucille Sineath. The rededicated DOK members are Frances Crawford and Laura Paine. (Laura was ill and could not attend this event.) At the reception, the following were re-elected as officers: Pat Bezona, President/Treasurer; Frances Guice, Vice-President; and Molly Stevenson, Secretary. The DOK will have an evening of prayer scheduled at the Labyrinth on December 12th at 7 p.m.

### Walter Hobgood Approved for Diaconal Ordination

Christ Church member Walter Hobgood has been approved for ordination to the transitional diaconate. The ordination is scheduled to take place at the next Diocese of Georgia Convention in Valdosta on Saturday, February 12, 2011.



### St. Francis Tea December 11

Members of the St. Francis Ministry for Animals will host the annual tea on December 11 at 4 p.m. according to Josie Parten. The group serves British and American biscuits, cookies, and cakes with a variety of teas. Sign up in the parish hall if you plan to attend.



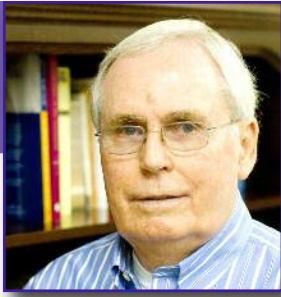
### All Saints Day - November 1 All Souls Day - November 2

Christ Church celebrated All Saints Day with a service and supper on Monday, Nov. 1. On All Souls Day, all six of the clergy of our church were present during a service in which they solemnly read the names of Christ Church family members who have died.

**Thomas Greneker** was elected this summer to serve two years on the National Happening Committee. The



members were selected at the National Happening Event. This Happening leadership group is made up of a four-person executive committee, of which the VP/Secretary is Jody Grant, our diocese's Happening Coordinator; five other adults including Lydia Brantley from St. Mark's, Brunswick; and eight youth, including Colson Shradar from Christ Church, Dublin, and our own Thomas Greneker.



# Christ Church Looks Back

by Joseph A. Tomberlin

As reported in the November *Vineyard*, the Vestry of Christ Church again approached the American Church Building Fund Commission in early June 1953, this time about borrowing \$7,000.00 to finance construction of Sunday School rooms at the rear of the Parish Hall. Richard P. Kent, Jr., Secretary of the A.C.B.F.C., quickly answered the letter that Vestry Clerk Robert G. Macks had written in behalf of Christ Church. Kent's response is not in the Parish files, but subsequent developments make clear that what he said was favorable.

The Minutes of a called Vestry meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 1953, state specifically that the reason for the gathering was "to discuss a letter received from the American Church Building Fund in reference to a loan of \$7,000.00." Vestrymen quickly approved a motion "to proceed with the plans for the Sunday School addition at a maximum cost, including furnishings, not to exceed \$10,000.00." Senior Warden Jamie Carroll appointed a four-man Building Committee, with the Vicar, Fr. Kippenbrock, as an ex officio member. The Building Committee was "to report back in detail at the next meeting of the Vestry, with plans for the addition and guaranteed bids covering construction." Mr. Carroll also said that he would contact Bishop Middleton S. Barnwell immediately to seek his approval of the project. Attached to the Minutes of this meeting is a hand-written note, dated *The Vineyard*, p. 10, December 2010

June 17, 1953, and directed to Robert G. Macks. Its message was that Mr. Carroll had talked with the Bishop by telephone and that Barnwell "endorses any move . . . [we] want to make on church property."

Vestry "instructed" Mr. Macks to thank the A.C.B.F.C. for being willing so soon to consider a new loan request from Christ Church. Macks was to report that, "on the strength of . . . [the] letter [from Richard P. Kent, Jr.], we will proceed at once with our plans for the Sunday School addition." In the short term, "financing . . . [would] be taken care of locally . . . to give the Foundation a bit more time." Once the building job reached its conclusion "we will furnish satisfactory documents to the Foundation, looking forward to . . . completion of the loan under conditions prescribed."

At the Vestry's regular monthly session on Sunday, July 5, 1953, work on the Sunday School project resumed. The Building Committee reported having received permission to extend the Parish Hall eastward by forty-seven feet. A local architect, Joe Bright, had been engaged to develop detailed plans and had submitted drawings of an annex to the Parish Hall of about 1,504 square feet, containing six classrooms and a heater room, with two of the classrooms separated by folding doors. The plans called for blackboards in all the rooms.

The Building Committee to date had received two construction bids. The first bidder, not identified by the Minutes, stated that he would

complete the project at a cost of \$8,864.00 for the building, excluding a heating system. His bid document stated that he would match the exterior of the annex to the existing buildings. The second bid, from E.W. "Bill" Tullis, was for \$7,500.00 with the construction "to be completed within sixty days, payment due at completion date or [to be] carried at five percent [interest] until" the proposed loan was received from the A.C.B.F.C. The Tullis bid featured such items as "cabinets under windows and gutters." Tullis also estimated that duct work for a heating system could be installed for \$200.00 or an entire heating system, including heater, ducts, oil tank, and electric control unit, could be put in for \$500.00.

Then, on a Louis Kafoure-Glenn Robinson motion, Vestry authorized the Building Committee "to sign a contract with a builder to construct proposed addition, complete with heating system for \$8,000. . . ." The Committee also was to work out the details of installation of an attic fan in the annex and to provide for the annex to be treated against termites. The original buildings, constructed in 1948-1949, had not been provided with termite protection, and the Church had suffered a termite invasion and some damages in 1950. [See *Vineyard*, August 2009, p.10 for details of the termite episode.]

A final item of business at the July 5th meeting was the continuing issue of a new vicarage for Christ Church. The only action taken was to defer the question until the next meeting.

More in the January *Vineyard*.



## Youth Sunday - November 14, 2010



Youth Sunday was amazing again this year! Alex Elliott's sermon was outstanding and inspirational. The readers for the day were David Holland and Holly Querin. The pianist was Katie Wisenbaker. This is the one Sunday that children from our church get to try things that they normally would not do during a typical service. Children serve as chalice administrators, ushers, pianists, acolytes, and many more church jobs. They get up early on a Saturday morning for practice and take their parts very seriously. This year, everyone did a fabulous job!

-- Beth Baker

### Upcoming Youth Events

#### December

**4th** Parade (only possible if help is provided by parents and children)

**17th** Winter Blast at Honey Creek

**22nd** Children's Christmas Party and Epiphany Play casting call

**24th** Children's Service

**January** - 6th Epiphany Pageant

**Senior EYC** - Dec. 1st: Querins'; Dec. 8th: Church; Dec. 15th: Elliotts'

## Youth News

by Beth Baker

The children of Christ Church need help with the **Christmas Parade Float**. If this is something that you can do, please call the office.

The Fall is a busy, busy time of year for the youth at Christ Church! We had over 30 kids join us for our annual **Corn Maze trip**. While wandering through the maze, the children laughed and chased one another, spooked and scared one another, and just had a grand time. Thanks, once again, to the Beeland family for encouraging the Wildcat Track Team to join us!! Any kind of outreach is great outreach!



The **Messy Olympics**, held on our lovely front lawn, featured donuts tied to strings, bobbing for apples, egg toss and water balloon toss. The night ended with kids painting their faces with peanut butter and having a mini-marshmallow throwing contest. The child with the most marshmallows stuck to his face was the winner!

The **EYC Canned Food Drive**, donating the goods to needy families, is an ongoing project for the Christmas Season.

Please mark your calendars for the **Children's Christmas party** in the Parish Hall December 22 from 9 a.m. -1 p.m. Kids will wear their cozy pajamas, bring a pillow and blanket, listen to Christmas stories told by special surprise guests, have craft time, plenty of play time, and enjoy pizza for lunch. **PARENTS:** This is a great time to get out and do some last minute shopping!



## Halloween Parade at the Preschool



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The Christ Episcopal Church Preschool and Parents' Morning Out Program teachers and children dressed in Halloween costumes and paraded through the church office on Friday, October 29, to receive treats from Fr. Peter and Happy Ingeman, Molly Stevenson, and Beth Baker, who also dressed in costume for the occasion.

### Join us for Regular Services

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

**9:30 a.m. Holy Communion\***  
**6:00 p.m. Vespers**

**10:45 a.m. Christian Education\***  
**8:00 p.m. Holy Communion**

**\*Nursery Available**

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

**Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.\***

**Thursday: 7:00 a.m.**

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