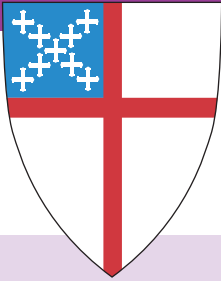


The Vineyard



Christ Episcopal Church - Valdosta, Georgia

December 2011



Youth Sunday - November 13

Mark Your Calendar

December 3

ECW Quiet Day at
St. John's, Bainbridge
9 a.m. - 12 noon
Bring a bag lunch.

December 4

Advent Lessons & Carols
at St. Barnabas - 4 p.m.

December 6

VSU Dead Day
(Louttit Hall open all day)

December 9 - 10

CDI at Honey Creek

December 14

Special Olympics
Scarves Blessing
after 6 p.m. service

December 16

Youth Christmas Holidays
Kick-off Event
6 p.m. Pizza Party
Children in 2nd grade or
younger must be picked up by
9 p.m.; 3rd grade and older
may stay for Lock-in

December 24

Christmas Eve:
5:30 p.m. Children's Service
11:00 p.m. "Midnight Mass"

December 25

Christmas Day
10 a.m. Service

Stay tuned for Rectory Open
House time and date.

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



Youth Sunday featured youth and young adults of all ages conducting both the 9:30 and 11:30 Sunday services in all roles available to the laity. Mitchell Beeland preached the sermon. The last song, entitled "There Must Be More," served to reinforce her message. The words of the first verse are: *Lord I groan, Lord I kneel. I'm cryin' out for something real. 'Cause I know deep in my soul there must be more!* The final verse is *Holy Spirit breathe on me*. Mitchell described how the Holy Spirit had breathed on her to give her strength and courage, to begin again in a troubled time in her life.

Over 20 youth and young adults participated in the services including Preacher, Mitchell Beeland; Chalice Administrators, Carter Elliott, Marylee Pendleton, Christopher Hanson; Readers, Holly Querin, Cecilia Carroll; Prayers, Andrew Greneker (9:30), Raini Singleton (11:30); Acolytes, Matthew Barnes, Joshua Hanson, Grace Tanner, John David Greneker;

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The Vineyard On the Web

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The Vineyard Deadline

The newsletter deadline is the 15th of the month prior to publication. Send information to juliacaraiil@bellsouth.net.

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, Assisting Priest
The Rev. Walter Hobgood, Priest Associate
The Rev. Stephen Norris, Priest Associate
The Rev. Deacon Stella Clark
The Rev. Deacon Patricia Marks
The Rev. Deacon Nancy Sartin
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

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| Julia Ariail | Philip Gunter |
| Clinton Beeland | John Hiers |
| Tammy Borders | Aaron Parten |
| Stefani Carroll | Steve Roberts |
| Dave Clark | Mike Tanner |
| Jerry DeMott | Joe Tomberlin |
| Susan Elliott | Lucy Tomberlin |
| Sparky Greneker | |

Phone Numbers

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| The Rev. Ingeman | 245-0799 |
| The Rev. Drazdowski | 249-0895 |
| The Rev. Elliott | 242-3333 |
| The Rev. Hobgood | 630-6444 |
| The Rev. Norris | 548-5700 |
| The Rev. Dcn. Clark | 559-6159 |
| The Rev. Dcn. Marks | 244-5159 |
| The Rev. Dcn. Sartin | 834-0147 |
| Molly Stevenson | 292-8215 |

Vestry Report from October 17, 2011

- Reported the contract negotiations with Quillian Powell Construction to include a performance bond. We are waiting for city permits to begin construction. A 4' chain link fence will be placed in front of the construction with a silt fence behind so that materials and equipment can be moved in and out of the area.



Mike Tanner,
Junior Warden

Dave Clark,
Senior Warden

- Approved the purchase of a GE Cafe style oven with double 30" ovens and gas eye range for the church kitchen.
- Agreed to improve the memorial garden with assistance of existing landscape contractor.
- Discussed the schedule of the Dominican Development Group meeting in Louttit Hall and the speaking engagements of members in area churches on Sunday, October 23.
- Announced the hiring of Clinton Anthony as the new college ministry intern. He replaces Kelly Lambert who accepted a job as a parapro at a local school.
- Reported the continuing success of the high school EYC and the new young adult program. The upcoming parish picnic and Advent wreathmaking class will include these groups.

- Commended the work of Stefani Carroll, Tammy Borders, Elise Sandbach and Susan Elliott in reassessing the youth program and accepted the recommendation of hiring a full-time youth coordinator in 2012. Stefani researched the average salary in our diocese and reported it at \$27,000 to \$30,000.
- Reported the addition of many scarves for the Special Olympics project and the beginning of an appeal for the Teacher's Harvest to supply pencils, markers, erasers, glue sticks, etc. through the Second Harvest Food Bank.
- Announced the nominations for five new vestry members and directed the retiring five members to serve as a committee to verify willingness to serve and later to count votes.
- Announced the registration for the Diocesan Convention February 2-4, 2012 and asked for nominees and volunteers to serve as delegates.

New Vestry Members Elected

Robin Coleman
Jeff Hanson
Phyllis Hiers

Sandy Sandbach
Jeani Snyard



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From the Rector



The Rev. Peter Ingeman

THREE CELEBRATIONS OF CHRISTMAS

I suppose every family has cherished Christmas traditions of its very own, very special ways of celebrating the birth of Our Lord. And I suppose those traditions may be unique and yet, in many ways the same. Our Christ Church family has its own traditions, two services of the Holy Eucharist on Christmas Eve and one on Christmas morning, three different ways of expressing our joy in this season.

Have you ever attended the five o'clock service at Christ Church on Christmas Eve? I suppose we should call it a children's service but, in reality, there are just as many adults present, not all of whom have children at the service. It is, I dare say, unique. We celebrate the birth of Our Lord with puppets, candles and a resounding "Happy Birthday Jesus," all underscored by a murmur of little voices and a nearly constant ringing of bells. It is crowded, it is noisy and it is wonderful. That's one tradition of Christmas. The second is the Solemn Christmas Mass, at eleven. There is the beautiful singing of traditional Christmas hymns led by our superb vested choir. There is a sung Eucharist with incense and Sanctus bells; there is a dimming of the lights, the lighting of hand candles for everyone present and the singing of the great Christmas hymn "Silent Night." The third celebration of Christmas is at ten on Christmas day, a small service in the brightness of Christmas morning. There are Christmas hymns led by our Saint Francis Choir. Each of the three services ends with an invitation to everyone present to ring the great church bell in a joyous proclamation of Christmas to the neighborhood and to the world. I invite you to come to one, two, or perhaps all three of these celebrations. I wish you many blessings on this most joyous season.

Peter+

THANKSGIVINGS



The Rev. Tar Drazdowski

As we wrap up this semester of college ministry, I want to thank the college students who have participated in the open house at Louttit Hall. This is the first semester we have been able to have the house open for student use, and you have made it a success. I am proud of the way the college students have joined the Christ Church family, working as hosts for the Trunks of Treats event for the children, participating in worship services and coming to the parish picnic. There is always room for more; come join the fun. We will have food and a place to rest for the students on Dead Day, that curious day between the last day of class and the first day of exams, which falls this year on

December 6.

We have set the dates for the 2012 Dominican Mission Trip as June 16 - 23. On the Christ Church website you will find a special page where we are posting information about the trip as it becomes available. Check out the page: http://www.christchurchvaldosta.org/?page_id=2944. If you are interested in going on the trip, we would like to know. Every year we decide on what projects we will do based on what the talents of the team are. We are not asking for a commitment yet, so don't worry. If you cannot go but would like to sponsor a team member or provide \$300 for a Dominican child's Episcopal school tuition, please call the office and ask for me.

In this season of thanksgiving, I am thankful for the people of Christ Episcopal Church, for your generous and loving hearts. This is truly a Christian community where so many people give of their time and talent to the glory of God. I am truly grateful for all of you. May God bless you in this season of Advent.

Tar+

Monarch Butterflies at St. Marks - October 29



Daughters of the King

Service? To offer at all times your loyal aid to the clergy and to the parish to advance the cause of Christ?" Here are the ways the St. Nino Chapter has answered: Priest, Deacon, Parish Administrator, choir members, musicians, Chalice Administrators, Manna ministry, Lay Readers, Acolytes, Altar guild, St. Francis Ministries for Animals, usher, Sunday school teachers, Wednesday night teachers, EYC, Pre-school teacher, Vestry, cooking-serving-cleaning up every Wednesday meal, coffee hour coordinators, Bible study leader, Dominican missionaries, Canterbury Club, EFM leader, Stitchers of Love, United Thank Offering coordinator, and organizers of receptions at the church.

If you are interested in becoming a Prayer Partner, DOK, or have questions, please ask any DOK, email me at pbezona@bellsouth.net or call at 242-8289.

The St. Nino Chapter of the Daughters of the King dedicated three new members on All Saints' Day: Julie Jackson, Hanae Kanno and Kelly Lambert. Mimi Allen will be dedicated at the January DOK meeting. After many years of emailing the DOK prayer list to our members, Frances Guice has passed the position to Julie Jackson. We are all very grateful and thank Frances for doing such a wonderful job. Julie, thank you for committing to this very important service.

The question asked by Fr. Peter to all of the DOKs during the dedication is "Do you promise faithfully to obey the two Rules of the Order, the Rule of Prayer and the Rule of

For His Sake, Pat Bezona

Susan Louttit-Hardaway

in her own words



Favorite Memory of Christ Church

It is almost impossible to pick one favorite memory of Christ Church. I am so thankful to have grown up at Christ Church. Dad arrived as rector two weeks before I was born and was elected bishop when I was twenty-eight. Not many clergy kids get to be rooted in a community for so many years. My sisters and I were so lucky; even if we did not know or understand it at the time. Some of my favorite memories would be the wonderful sticky cinnamon monkey bread for the Christmas Eve children's service, singing "Let us Break Bread Together" in the Children's Choir under the direction of Marge Fitzsimons (we would always sing, "when I fall on my face, with my knees to the rising sun"), helping Jean Riser in the church nursery, playing the soprano in the Recorder Society directed by Bud Curtis, painting the pantry of the little house for the soon-to-arrive Father Bob Carter at a parish work day, singing "I'll Fly Away" in the Folk Mass choir, listening to Pam Guice tell stories with her fabulous illustrations and EYC lake parties at the Ellis and Clarke houses.

Favorite Memory of Honey Creek

Honey Creek is holy ground for me. As a child I remember Christ Church had a parish weekend a couple of times; one year the Addingtons brought a go cart. I remember cheering and watching as all the grown ups including my father took a spin around the baseball field in that go cart. It is not every day you see grownups play! From third grade on I loved Camp St. Gregory. I could never get enough singing from the serious church music to all the silly songs with Pam Guice. Youth events and Happening were what I lived for during high school. I wish I still had the print of the bell tower that the Rev. Reggie Payne drew as a senior high camper. But hands down the best part about Honey Creek was being with my closest friends in the whole world and learning to love God with my whole heart, soul and mind.



black academic gown from Sewanee. He scared the daylights out of us! Bob was always such a good sport. He would always growl during "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" when we would mix up the words and sing "and one was slain by a fierce wild priest" (instead of beast).

What's in the water in Valdosta that makes us special?

Christ Church is where I learned what Christian community is all about. There are so many people who are so special to me, who helped me grow and become a follower of Christ. I wish there was space to name all the people but that would take up this whole newsletter and the next year's worth of newsletters as well. Christ Church was our family, our big, wonderful, crazy family. Looking back I realize that for me Christ Church was a glimpse and foretaste of the great banquet in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Education

I graduated from Valdosta High School. I earned my Bachelors of Art from the University of the South in Sewanee, TN where I majored in English Literature. I spent my junior year of college at the University of York, England. It was during that year in England that I discerned my call to the priesthood. At the time the Diocese of Georgia did not ordain women and I had to be away from home for a couple of years to be willing to listen to God's call in my life. I earned my Master of Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary. (There does seem to be a pattern of where all the priests who were raised at Christ Church attended seminary! Go VTS!) Sonya Sullivan Clifton and I were the first two women ordained for the priesthood in the Diocese of Georgia by Bishop Harry Shipp. We were ordained as deacons together at Christ Church May 29, 1993.

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Favorite Memory of a Priest at Christ Church

One Halloween my mom took me and my sisters over to trick or treat at Father Bob Carter's house. We were there early and Bob told us we had to wait a moment on the front porch. A few minutes later he opened the door again wearing a Dr. Spock mask and a



The Rev. Susan Louttit Hardaway is the Priest-in-Charge of Church of the Epiphany, Laurens, SC. Susan's husband Jack is the rector of Grace Episcopal Church in Anderson, SC, where they live with their three children, Ben (16 years), Lillian (14) and Frances (12). Susan is the middle child of The Rt. Rev. Henry and Jan Louttit. Father Louttit was rector of Christ Church from 1967 to 1995. (According to Susan's two sisters, Amy and Katie, they still find it hard to believe that Susan became a priest after having suffered growing up with her temper and moodiness!) Amy is a librarian for the State of Florida and lives in Tallahassee, FL, with her family. Katie is a principal of Oglethorpe Elementary School and lives in Athens, GA, with her family.

Susan Louttit-Hardaway

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Left to right: Lillian Hardaway, Susan's daughter; Susan Louttit-Hardaway; Jane Louttit, Susan's aunt; and Jan Louttit, her mother.

If you were not a priest, what would you have done?

Growing up I had all kinds of wonderful dreams of exciting professions including a primatologist (someone who studies monkeys), an archeologist searching for Viking treasures and a linguist (I have always loved languages, maybe it was hearing the Gospel readings on Pentecost including Japanese and Old Slavonic). If I had not become a priest I would have probably become an English literature teacher. I love to read and would have also enjoyed being a book editor.

Do you still use that other interest?

I have studied but never truly mastered French, Russian, Greek, Hebrew and Aramaic. I know I read scripture differently because of my time studying the original languages used in God's holy writings. I enjoy teaching Christian Education classes and especially love creating intergenerational programs. In my ministry I have spent a lot of time in youth and college ministry. Perhaps that is how I channeled my love of all primates and a passion for finding the great treasures that God has placed in our lives.



Sunday, November 13,
Christ Church donated
\$532.89 to the United Thank
Offering. Thanks to all who
contributed.

-- Helen Tucker, UTO
Chairman

Construction Begins!



Years of planning and saving are coming to fruition as the construction on the new education building begins. Mr. Buddy Roberts of Quillian Powell Construction, Inc., will be the construction foreman on our project. Work is currently underway to clear the construction site and prepare for the building's foundation. Completion date is scheduled for June, 2012. During construction, we will lose access to most of all of the main parking lot. Alternative parking will be available at the rectory and Wesley Foundation. A parking information webpage is here: http://www.christchurchvaldosta.org/?page_id=3011. A construction journal with photos is here: http://www.christchurchvaldosta.org/?page_id=2985.

**New Capital
Campaign
Cash Total
\$611,594.39**

Remember to send in
your 2011 pledge for
the Capital
Campaign. To
count as a tax
deduction for this
year, the donation
must be made by
December 31.



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Ushers, Hudson Tanner, Robbie Beeland; Oblations, Pierce & Sally Baker (9:30), Victoria & Emory Warrick (11:30); UTO Ingathering, Victoria & Emory Warrick (9:30), Phoebe Singleton & Julia Copeland (11:30); Bulletins, Victoria, Emory & Ethan Warrick; and Musicians, Sparky Greneker (and David Singleton at 11:30).

The lively music had children and adults alike clapping and singing to the energetic tunes.



Thanksgiving

More than 100 parishioners, friends and families gathered on Thanksgiving day for our traditional service and feast. Sue Ellen Rumstay played the organ for the 11 a.m. service. The church provided the turkey, ham, and beverages, and guests brought vegetables, potatoes, salads, cakes, pies and breads. After the feast, many children enjoyed playing on the recently-moved swings.



SPECIAL DAYS

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 | 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>.

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

Partnership for Health Clinic Project - Diane Halim chairs this project for donations for specific items to patients and families. <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. <stellamclark@att.net>.

Teachers Harvest - Deacon Patricia Marks and Phyllis Hiers chair the project to collect school supplies to be distributed at the Second Harvest Food Bank. (244-5159); <spmarks@bellsouth.net>.

Toiletries Project - Gail Hobgood chairs the project to collect unused hotel toiletries for families at LAMP. Bring in your travel toiletries. <WPHOBG@aol.com>.

Treats for Troops - Nola and Bob Johnson coordinate the effort to collect supplies for troops. (242-6000); <johnson21@bellsouth.net>.



Loan Signing

Amber Tanner, Treasurer; Julia Ariail, Secretary; Fr. Peter Ingeman, Rector; Dave Clark, Senior Warden; and Richard Coleman, Attorney for the Vestry, signed the documents to borrow money from First State Bank and Trust Company of Valdosta on November 2 for the construction of the Education building. Bank President Bill Cowart examined the bank documents in the photo below with Richard Coleman.





Christ Church Picnic

Over 150 Christ Church parishioners enjoyed a picnic at Grassy Pond with the barbecued chicken and sausage cooked by the Men in Blue and side dishes provided by those who attended. The children enjoyed the beanbag toss games and fishing from the pier. Jim Drazdowski, Sparky Greneker, David Schert and Bobbie Warren played their guitars for the entertainment of the crowd on a beautiful Sunday afternoon, November 6.



Preschool Halloween Parade

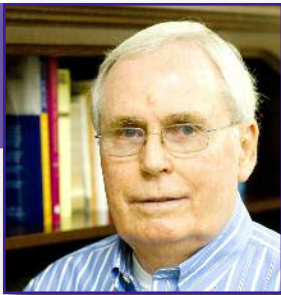


Treats for Troops

The new ministry to send necessary items to troops overseas is off to a great start. Nola and Bob Johnson coordinate the effort and will continue to collect the packages throughout the year. They drive to Florida to deliver the packets to a mail station. The Treats for Troops website is at <http://www.treatsfortroops.info>.



Every year on Halloween the children enrolled at Christ Episcopal Preschool and Parents' Morning Out dress in costume and parade through the church office. Molly Stevenson, parish administrator, passed out candy and admired the creative costumes.



Christ Church Looks Back

by Joseph A. Tomberlin

As noted in the November history article, Christ Church's Vestry learned during the meeting of May 30, 1948, that only \$7,500.00 could be borrowed to aid in the building of the new church. The money borrowed, combined with other funds already available, would have to cover all costs. Vestrymen also heard via a letter from Bishop Barnwell that they should obtain "additional bids" for the forthcoming construction job.

Jamie Carroll reported having had several conversations with A. G. Franklin, apparently a local contractor who "had not submitted one of the original bids," but believed a bid "could be submitted in the neighborhood of \$55,000.00." Carroll also stated that he had located "a supply of cypress lumber to meet our requirements, which could be obtained at a very low figure." The Vestry decided at that point to take no action on the current low bid of \$69,000.00 from the J.N. Bray Company "until Mr. Franklin should be able to submit his bid, which will be considered at a meeting on Sunday morning, the 6th of June [1948]." Vestry also agreed on efforts "to secure some additional bids from other contractors." In addition, Senior Warden Jerome Tillman promised to contact John C. LeBey, the Savannah architect who designed the new church, to "determine whether the people supplying the mill work for the new church under construction in Savannah [St. Matthew's] might not be able to handle that end of the business for us."

In the meantime, the mechanics of transferring the \$25,000.00 pledged by Bishop Barnwell toward construction of the new Christ Church were being worked out. In a letter to Robert G. Macks on May 31, 1948, Barnwell noted that neither Macks's letter of May 17th nor recent Vestry Minutes provided any information about the bank account in which diocesan funds were to be deposited. Thus, he asked that Macks inform him of the Valdosta bank and "the exact name of the account for the building fund" so that he would know how to make out the checks for Christ Church. Barnwell said that the first check, for \$13,000.00, "as we are paying \$2,000.00 to Mr. LeBey, local architect," would arrive after July 1, 1948. The second check, for \$10,000.00, would arrive after the first of August. The Bishop pointed out to Mr. Macks that "you will pay the Valdosta architect for supervision and Mr. LeBey tells me that his agreement with him was that he should receive 1½% of the contract price."

Responding to the Bishop on June 2, 1948, Macks declared that the bank's name and the specific account for building funds had not yet been fixed because "temporarily they are at the First National Bank of Valdosta and the Vestry feels it will be much to the Church's benefit to transfer these funds to the Citizens & Southern National Bank." The plan was "to deposit checks received from you to the account of 'Episcopal Church Building Fund,' in the Citizens & Southern National Bank." The other money held in a savings account at First National Bank also would be

transferred to Citizens & Southern National Bank and placed in the same "Episcopal Church Building Fund." As Macks said to Barnwell, "You may be very certain we shall be most happy to receive the checks from you at your convenience."

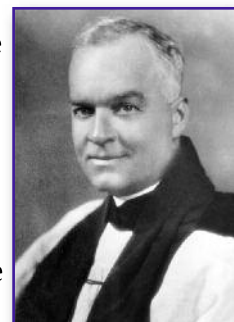
During the Vestry's session on June 6, 1948, Jamie Carroll reported that he had "nothing encouraging in the way of news from A.G. Franklin."

Franklin's assessment was that the plans for the new Christ Church were "very strict with no possibility of reduction in the mill work cost." Consequently, he concluded that "the bid of J.N. Bray Company was about as cheap as can be expected."

Moreover, "no possibility [existed] of having the company supplying the mill work" for St. Matthew's Church in Savannah "to supply what is required by us. They are just not interested."

Senior Warden Jerome Tillman described the frustration of his failed effort to obtain "a lower bid on mill work" from the Brady Company in Thomasville. The problem, he asserted, was "the prevailing high prices of good grade pine and cypress." Tillman also declared that he had found it "impossible to secure other bids . . . [because of] lack of interest in the contract. . . ."

This story will continue from this point in the January 2012 issue of *The Vineyard*. Stay tuned.



Middleton S. Barnwell
Bishop of Georgia
1936-1954

Trunks of Treats - October 30, 2011



On October 30, a beautiful sunshiny Sunday afternoon with October-blue skies, about 45 children enjoyed the Trunks of Treats event at Christ Church. Musical chairs with a cupcake prize, a professional juggler, pumpkin carving, a beanbag toss into a pumpkin face, bubbles, costumes, candy, cookie decorating, hand and face painting, find a prize in the hay and pumpkin art were the activities supervised by the college and high school students. The eight decorated cars in the parking lot were bulging with candy and treats. For two hours the sounds of children and adults laughing and playing rang out. Everyone went home happy with bags full of candy.



Good Stewards

In addition to contributing our fair share of monetary support, being good stewards means taking care of what we have. Recent repairs to our facility include building new stairs for the back entrance to Louttit Hall, trimming the bushes to expose the security light, and repairing the sign at the corner of Patterson and College streets. Additional numbers on the sign now include the 8 p.m. Sunday service.

The new range will be installed soon in the church kitchen.



High School EYC December Schedule

12/7 - Elliotts' Home
12/14 - TBA

Sunday School Youth Events December Schedule

12/18-25 - No Sunday
School during
Christmas Break

Paws for a Cause 5K Road Race at Lowndes High School - November 5

by Karen Gunter



The Boone boys and their dog.



Paul Stevenson crossing the finish line.



The winners!

The St. Francis Ministries for Animals sponsored a 5K Fun Run/Walk and 1 mile Fun Run/Walk on Saturday, November 5 at Lowndes High. Many people brought their dogs, and everyone got along well.

We had 65 registered runners and walkers and about 30 LHS students who came out to help with registration, passing out water at the water stations, and cheering the runners/walkers on as they passed by. Of course I thought all the animals were beautiful, but one LHS teacher who ran in the race brought his two white German Shepherds, and they were absolutely gorgeous. One VSU student who

participated brought his neighbor's dog so he could have someone to run with, but the most unusual was the one in the picture with the two young boys. He was a brindle husky/pitt bull mix, and I have never seen a long haired brindle.

The race was a tremendous success. We cleared around \$2000 and everyone seemed to have a great time! Sally Hunnicutt, Georgianna and Steve Manning, mom and dad (Josie and Aaron Parten) were there to help with the event. Molly and Paul Stevenson supported our cause by running in the race! It was a great morning and the participants said that they would be back next year.



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
***Nursery Available**

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

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

Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.*

Thursday: 7:00 a.m.

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