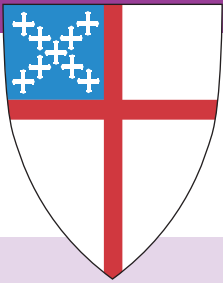


The Vineyard

Christ Episcopal Church - Valdosta, Georgia

June 2012



Youth Sunday - May 13, 2012

Mark Your Calendar

June 6

Fr. Ingeman's 25th Priestly
Ordination Anniversary

June 6 - 8

Province IV Synod @
Kanuga (prep. for
General Convention)

June 16 - 23

Dominican Republic
Mission Trip

June 17 - 23

High School Camp
at Honey Creek

June 24 - 30

Camp Saints Joseph
& Mary #1
at Honey Creek

June 30 - July 5

"Friends, Family and The
Fourth" diocesan open
period at Honey Creek

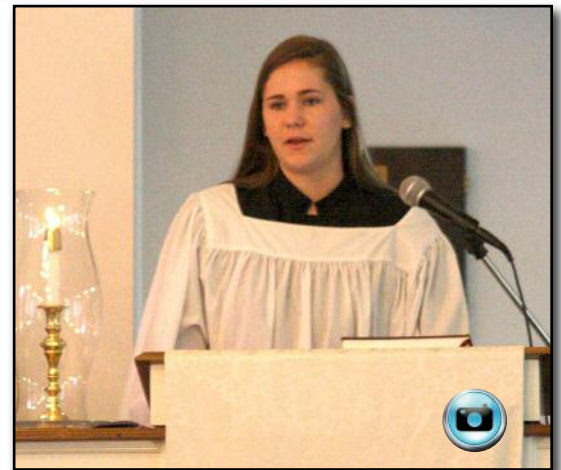
July 28

Retirement party
for the Ingemans

July 29

Dedication of
Education Building

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



Photographs by Sally Querin

Youth Sunday at Christ Church is such a special day. It is inspiring and gratifying to see these children we have nurtured speak to us with such eloquence and confidence. They fill all the roles available to the laity. This year's participants were Holly Querin, sermon; Matthew Barnes, crucifer; John David Greneker, Gospel bearer; Robbie Beeland, acolyte; Josh Hanson, acolyte; Phoebe Singleton, acolyte; Katie Wisenbaker, 1st reading - 9:30; Grace Diamond, 1st reading - 11:30; Christopher Hanson, 2nd reading - 9:30; Raini Singleton, 2nd reading - 11:30; Andrew Greneker, prayers - 9:30; John David Greneker, prayers - 11:30; Mitchell Beeland, chalice; Carter Elliott, chalice; Marylee Pendleton, chalice; Andrew Diamond, usher - 9:30 and 11:30;

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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 juliacaraiail@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. 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 Members

Julia Ariail -'12	Phyllis Hiers -'14
Clinton Beeland -'13	Aaron Parten -'12
Stefani Carroll -'13	Steve Roberts -'13
Robin Coleman -'14	Sandy Sandbach -'14
Susan Elliott -'12	Jeani Synyard -'14
Sparky Greneker -'13	Joe Tomberlin -'12
Philip Gunter -'12	Lucy Tomberlin -'13
Jeff Hanson -'14	

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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 April 16, 2012

- Reported on the continuing progress of the new building.
- Received bids from Quillian Powell and Steve Bradford for roofing the existing sanctuary in the same manner as the new building. Because both were expensive, delayed decision for two months.
- Discussed which room in the new building will be designated as the Library and how to use the Tomberlin building after the Preschool moves into the new building. Appointed committee to explore options.
- Received report from Sr. Warden on search for Interim Rector.
- Announced the upcoming schedule of services and special events for the next month.
- Announced the Dominican Republic Dinner and Silent Auction as Thursday, May 17, with the auction ending after the 11:30 a.m. service on May 20.
- Discussed the need for space in the new building for the Parents Morning Out group. All 15 students need to be in one room or they will need 4 staff members instead of two.



Steve Roberts
2012 Senior Warden

Aaron Parten
2012 Junior Warden

- Reported on the success and end-of-year parties for the EYC. Several are graduating, but we have a large group of 9th and 10th graders who attend regularly.
- Received thanks from the Hungry at Home group for 32 donated back packs and 3 workers from Christ Church. Asked for people to save grocery bags to be woven into sleeping mats for 3rd world countries.
- Reported on Pocket Prayer Shawl ministry's success. Request for hand made gift for babies baptized at Christ Church
- Announced new Facebook page for Christ Church as another way to communicate with our congregation.
- Reported that 7 of the 10 new kneelers are complete with hope of all by July 1. A dedication is planned for mid- July.



My dear, dear Christ Church Family,

It is with both sadness and joy that I tell you effective June 12, 2012, I have accepted a new position with Lowndes County. I covet your prayers as I embark on this new chapter of my life.

To my Christ Church friends:

I want to thank you for your prayers, support and the many acts of kindness at the passing of my husband Fred. Your compassion meant so much to me and our children.

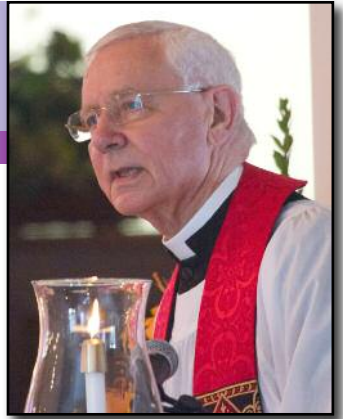
God Bless each and every one of you.

Jeanette Bajalia

The camera symbol indicates that an album of photos on this subject is available online at <http://picasaweb.google.com/christchurchvaldosta>.



From the Rector



SUMMER IS UPON US

Considering the heat and humidity that we have already experienced this year, and the almost total lack of anything like Winter, it seems tardy to say that, with June, we have come to Summer, but it's true. The sure sign here at Christ Church is the quiet that has fallen, for a while, over the campus across Patterson Street and the lack of traffic, both pedestrian and auto. It is a brief quiet time. With schools in recess for the next weeks many of our church family will also be away, traveling on vacations. Over the years I have been amazed at how far many of us do travel. The places visited are far-flung and sometimes quite exotic. This year when they return, they may find our new building nearing, or hopefully at, completion, ready for use in the Fall. But, in the meantime, have a wonderful vacation. Please bring a sample of the bulletins at churches you visit, so that we can post them, and the parish can share them. Safe travels and a happy return.

Peter+



Our mission team members leave for the Dominican Republic on June 16, 2012. We will once again be working in El Pedregal, a village near the large city of Jarabacoa in the mountain highlands in the center of the country. This has been a mission site for teams from Christ Church and the Diocese of Georgia since 2001, and we have all benefitted greatly from the relationships we have developed with the residents there. My husband, Jim, and I had the special pleasure of welcoming one of those residents, Ana Maria Quiroz, to our home in Valdosta from May 10-13. Through the efforts of many mission team veterans, Ana Maria has come to the US for medical treatment not readily available to her in the Dominican Republic, and we are pleased to be able to support her during her treatment and recovery.

In addition to Jim and me, our 2012 mission team has seven other members: Julia and Julius Ariail, Grady Lacy, Cathy Rippeon (my sister from Maryland!), Elizabeth Welch, Marilynne Marshall, and Jim Ellis Fisher. We will be concentrating on knitting as a major project, with perhaps some light construction or repair projects around the Episcopal camp and conference center or in the village. After we spend six nights in El Pedregal, we will spend another night in Santo Domingo before we fly back to the US on June 23rd. If you would like to receive daily updates on our mission trip, please check Christ Church's Facebook page <facebook.com/christchurchvaldostaga> or join the mission trip email list for daily email updates here: <http://www.christchurchvaldosta.org/?page_id=2944>. Depending on Internet conditions in El Pedregal, we will be posting photos and brief reports of our activities daily.

I appreciate so much the love and support from the Christ Church community for this mission work in the Dominican Republic. Thanks in part to our example at Christ Church, mission teams from other churches and convocations in the Diocese of Georgia now have five active mission work sites in the Dominican Republic.

Tar+

Senior Warden's Corner



Steve Roberts

Greetings.

A busy agenda greeted your vestry at its May meeting as we move closer to the completion of our education building as well as the retirement of Father Ingeman. The new building is taking definitive shape, and everyone who has

toured the facility is somewhat surprised and very impressed by the space it will provide. Construction remains on schedule, and we continue to look forward to the building's dedication on July 29 when Bishop Benhase joins us. It will be a bittersweet day as it also marks Father Ingeman's final Sunday before he and Happy begin well-deserved retirement. The Ingemans plan to remain in Valdosta, but Episcopal Church canons require that "he absent himself from his former parish for at least two years, and may return as a member of the congregation at the discretion of the new rector."

Before a search committee is formed to seek a new rector, we will hire an interim priest for a minimum of a year. Father Frank Logue, canon to the ordinary in our diocese, has provided information on one interim possibility and has promised to send vitas on three and possibly four more. When these are in hand, the interview process will begin. Logue anticipates an interim rector could be on the job "around Labor Day".

Please note the "Save the Date" reminder below. Vestry member Jeani Synyard is part of a committee planning a retirement reception for the Ingemans at the Turner Center for the Arts on July 28 from 6 to 8 p.m. Further details will follow.

Finally, discussion continues on how to best use the space at the current pre-school building. Your ideas are encouraged. Peace.

Steve

Save the Dates July 28 and 29

On Saturday July 28 we will honor The Rev. Peter and Happy Ingeman at a retirement party at the Turner Center for the Arts from 6 to 8 p.m.

On Sunday July 29 Bishop Scott Benhase will be with us to dedicate the new Education Building.

Construction in May



Our new education building is coming along very nicely and is staying pretty close to schedule. The target for completion is July 20th or before.

Options for new furniture and playground equipment will be provided by the architect as part of their service as we prepare for the first Preschool and Sunday School classes in September.

Be sure to tour as the project moves to completion!

- - Clinton Beeland

Senior Sunday



On Sunday, May 20, Christ Church recognized the graduating seniors during the 9:30 service and held a reception following in the parish hall. Those in attendance were Mitchell Beeland, Marylee Pendleton, Robin Guice, Matthew Barnes and Claire Hanson. Matthew Barnes received the Michael Clark Scholarship which was presented by Dave Clark at the 11:30 Sunday service.

Ana Maria Quiroz visits Christ Church Valdosta



Over the past decade, Anna Maria Quiroz welcomed missionaries from Christ Episcopal Church as well as those from all over the United States and Canada to her home village of El Pedregal in the Dominican Republic. On Sunday, May 13, several of those mission team members welcomed her to our church. She is traveling to Charleston, SC for medical treatment. She was picked up at the Orlando airport by The Rev. Tar and Jim Drazdowski, who enjoyed having her as a guest in their home for five days before she continued her journey to Charleston with Liz Bailey from Jacksonville, FL. Please pray for the success of her treatment and for a speedy recovery.

DR Dinner and Auction - May 17 - 20, 2012



SPECIAL DAYS

JUNE

BIRTHDAYS

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

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

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



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Mike & Phyllis Holland
9 John & Phyllis Hiers
12 Walton & Jan Carter
15 Chris & Karen May
Bill & Sally Nunn
17 Ken & Marilyn Davis
Peter & Happy Ingeman
Kip & Tina Nunn
18 Clinton & Jeana Beeland
19 Aaron & Elizabeth Davis
20 Bob & Nola Johnson
24 Jerry & Judy DeMott
Monty & Marilyn Miller

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>.

Hungry at Home Program - Deacon Stella Clark chairs the project in conjunction with other churches to collect backpacks and financial support to be used to send food home on Fridays to children in need. (559-6159); <stellamclark@att.net>. **NEW!**

Sleeping Mats for Africa - Deacon Stella Clark chairs the project in conjunction with other churches to collect plastic shopping bags to be woven into sleeping mats. (559-6159); <stellamclark@att.net>. **NEW!**

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

Toiletries Project - A project to collect unused hotel toiletries for families at LAMP. It needs a new coordinator. Bring in your travel toiletries from your summer vacations.

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Kanno-Thieme Wedding



Photograph courtesy of Willie Flowers, Jr. of Flowers' Photo/Video

Christ Church members Hanae Kanno and Don Thieme were married on May 3, 2012, in the presence of many family and friends, including several from Hanae's home in Japan.



Photograph by Emily Rogers

Your Pop Tabs are Helping!



The photos at left and below are pictures of the little boy from Valdosta whose family has been getting our pop tabs. The family goes to the Ronald McDonald House and help support the facility. Christ Church has been very supportive, and they and we appreciate the support. Keep collecting!

photographs by Deacon Stella Clark



The Rev. Tar Drazdowski Graduates from Vancouver School of Theology of Theology



Julia Ariail, left, presented The Rev. Tar Drazdowski with a leather bound copy of her final project, *An Exegesis of Deuteronomy 11:8-21* in celebration of the completion of the requirements for her graduation May 7 from the Vancouver School of Theology with a Master of Divinity degree. An exegesis is a critical explanation or interpretation of a scriptural text.



The Church Bookshelf

by Patricia Marks

Stepping-Stones: A Journey Through the Ice Age Caves of the Dordogne

by Christine Desdemaines-Hugon. Yale University Press, 2010



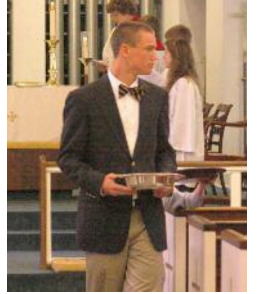
In this intriguing book, an eminent anthropologist invites us to walk through the caves of the Dordogne in south-west France, where prehistoric artists from the Upper Paleolithic (35,000-10,000 years ago) took ochre, charcoal, and manganese, fashioned brushes and tools, and created stunning wall drawings. Here a bulge in the rock becomes the rounded body of a woolly mammoth; there the artist's finger traces outlines of horses, bison, and mysterious geometric symbols. These hidden places have profound spiritual impact, calling us to meditate, to "cave dream" about questions galore. Why are these evocative drawings so hidden? Why so few human images? What is the reason for the animals' direction, for their interactions, for their placement? Lacking a written record, we may never know. Yet in the drawings' complexity and mystery we glimpse later artistic practices—the Renaissance use of perspective, the line drawings of Matisse. Most importantly, as the author points out, our preconceptions of early human beings are reshaped by the beauty and mystery of the drawings, where we unexpectedly "perceive an intelligence and a sensibility." From the perspective of this reader, newly returned from Rouffignac and Lascaux, the book raises questions about what future generations will discover about us. These Paleolithic people walked with courage and faith along an uncertain path into the blackness of a cave, where, by the flickering light of a tiny oil lamp, they created artwork of overwhelming importance. And that, perhaps, is a metaphor for life itself.

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Youth Sunday *from page 1*

Hudson Tanner, usher - 9:30; Noah Carroll, usher - 11:30; Victoria Warrick and Mary Peeples, oblations - 9:30; Julia Copeland and Ellie Copeland, oblations - 11:30; Emory Warrick and Ethan Warrick, UTO collection; Cecilia Carroll, Madison Jackson and Grace Tanner, coffee hour hostesses; Stefani Carroll, coordinator. Thanks to Sparky and Thomas Greneker for the guitar music.



Holly Querin's sermon is available here:
<http://www.christchurchvaldosta.org/sermon-holly-querin.pdf>



Tar Drazdowski

in her own words



Tar Drazdowski

1. Favorite memory of Christ Church

My favorite memory of Christ Church is the first time I attended services. I had previously gone to a Pentecostal church. Christ Church was across the street from VSC. I found a welcoming and loving community: Jean Holland, Phyllis Hiers and Jan Louttit to name a few. I had found a home.

2. Favorite memory of Honey Creek

Honey Creek is such a special place. It is sacred ground. My family - Jim, Andy, Amanda and I went there at Thanksgiving for several years. We stayed in the dorm and cooked on the grill. Some years friends joined us. My Cursillo was there and I decided to be a priest in the Honey Creek Chapel.

3. Favorite memory of a priest at Christ Church

As a student, I listened to Fr. Henry Louttit preach and didn't understand a word he said, but I liked him and wanted to understand. I was really most impressed by Fr. Bob Carter and Fr. Powell Gahagan, who came to the student union to drink coffee.



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

Christ Church is special because the people live into the mission of the church. Our church has brought reconciliation from whatever tragedy to so many people. It is a safe place to come and heal. We have had a lot of priests come out of our church because our formation involves so many people who all do the work of the church being loving and generous with their time, talent and treasure. I can't believe more people don't come every week.



5. What was your total educational pattern - high school, college, and seminary?

High School - 1974 graduate of Gaithersburg High School in Gaithersburg, MD, BS in Education, MA in Behavior Disorders, MA in Counseling and Guidance all from Valdosta State, and Master of Divinity from Vancouver School of Theology.

6. If you were not a priest, what profession would you have chosen?

I worked 30 years in the education system and retired in 2010. When I was young I considered being a paramedic, a railroad engineer, a park ranger or a federal marshal - none of which

was open to women at the time.

7. Do you still use that other interest in your ministry?

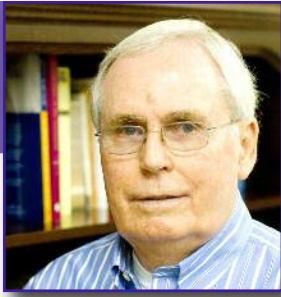
I use counseling every day of my life. Everything I have learned, every class, every experience, every job has brought me to this point. It has been a progression and I am grateful for God's guidance in my life.



Jim Drazdowski



Tar+ is currently the assistant rector of Christ Episcopal Church in Valdosta and College Chaplain at Valdosta State University. She is married to Jim Drazdowski. Family: Amanda and Matt Harrell, A.J. and Ellie Rae; Andy Drazdowski and Ashley Bird and Annabelle. She has led a mission trip to the Dominican Republic for 11 years.



Christ Church Looks Back

by Joseph A. Tomberlin

In a called meeting on November 19, 1948, in the presence of Bishop Middleton S. Barnwell, five vestrymen debated the question of how to build the “assembly hall,” which had been part of the original plan for the new Christ Church. Because of insufficient funds, Vestry had chosen to omit the structure when dealing with the second round of bids in July 1948. Now, the initial focus of discussion was the possibility of a temporary structure; Vestry, however, turned down that idea. Thereupon, Bishop Barnwell suggested that Christ Church borrow money for the building. He declared that he favored carrying out the project, given the proposal by the contractor, Mr. Tinker, to reduce the cost by a thousand dollars provided “construction of the . . . [building] could be started at once.” The Bishop also pledged that Christ Church would have his “full cooperation” in making arrangements to acquire a loan.

Meanwhile, the construction of the church and the “parish house” continued and required attention. In the regular Vestry meeting of December 5, 1948, Fr. White reported that “the contract for complete furnishings for the Church had been let on December 4 for a total consideration of \$3,333.50.” The contractor had promised to deliver all furnishings but the pews by December 20. Unfortunately, the Minutes do not identify the firm receiving the contract, but it may have been the “church furnishing company North of Atlanta” mentioned in the May 2012

history article. The sequel to Fr. White’s report was talk about the feasibility of having the Christmas Eve service in the new building by using temporary seating. The decision, however, was to have no services in the new building until all furnishings were in place.

In the same session, Vestry also addressed the “assembly hall” [i.e. the Parish Hall] project, into which Bishop Barnwell had injected new life. Members heard that the Bishop had given oral permission by telephone for Christ Church to proceed with a loan for construction of the building. Vestry then decided that Senior Warden Jerome Tillman should contact Barnwell for “specific information” about how to handle such a construction loan. Mr. Tillman added that the Citizens and Southern National Bank of Valdosta was prepared to “lend us the money on a yearly basis provided [the] loan can be made on a legal basis.”

At a later called meeting, Mr. Tillman recounted his conversation with the Bishop. The plan that had emerged from their discussion was for Christ Church to incorporate the Vestry “and its successors.” When the incorporation process was completed, the Bishop “would convey to the corporation title to the church property, which could. . . [serve as security] for the required loan.” The immediate aftermath of Tillman’s report was that Vestry approved a motion to proceed with incorporation and asked the Clerk, Mr. Macks, to obtain from Bishop Barnwell “written confirmation of his verbal proposition to Mr. Tillman.” Also, Vestry authorized

the Building Committee to convey to Mr. Tinker a work order for the “immediate completion” of the Parish Hall, contingent upon incorporation of the Vestry and receipt of the needed funds via bank loan. As the Minutes pointed out, the two contingency points “were to be covered in the authorization granted to Mr. Tinker.”

Mr. Macks duly requested from Bishop Barnwell that he confirm in writing his proposal to the Senior Warden that “the church property would, on incorporation, be conveyed to the Vestry and could then be used as security for the necessary mortgage.”

Macks, in the same letter, told Barnwell that the Vestry on December 19, 1948, had approved unanimously a motion to incorporate itself to be able to “mortgage church property after conveyance by you of said property.”

The Bishop responded in a letter of January 4, 1949, in which he wrote, “The Valdosta church property stands in the name of the Protestant Episcopal in the Diocese of Georgia.” He added that, the previous day, the Corporation had passed a resolution “authorizing me as President to sign a mortgage note and deed of debt to secure mortgage for the borrowing of \$15,000.” Barnwell had ascertained that the Citizens and Southern Bank in Savannah “was perfectly willing to let me have the money” but preferred that “it be handled by the Valdosta branch. . . .” The Savannah bank would provide the funds at four and one-half percent per year, and Barnwell opined, “if the Valdosta bank takes the loan they certainly ought not to charge us more than that.”

Youth News by Stefani Carroll

Sunday School

"And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last..." John 15:16

One of the greatest gifts we can give our children is a sure foundation, on which they can build their relationship with Christ and be prepared to go out into the world to spread the Good News by word and example. Parents are, of course, the first teachers, but Christian Education at Christ Church also plays an important part in that journey.

Our current Sunday School year has come to an end, but we are already planning for next year. We will be using Living The Good News, an online curriculum available beginning in July, for Pre-K through Middle School. The lessons will be easy to distribute to teachers and substitutes, and any materials that need to be printed can be printed in advance at the church office. I ask you to prayerfully consider partnering with one or more people to create a team of teachers who can nurture the spirit of Christ in our youth, thus bearing fruit that will last for generations to come.

More information, including sample lessons, can be found at www.livingthegoodnews.com. Those interested in teaching should contact Stefani Carroll at 229-259-0315 or stefscarroll@gmail.com.



Photograph by Patricia Greneker

Preschool Walks around the Maypole on May 4

Every year around the first of May the Christ Episcopal Church Preschool students march around the light pole in the side yard of the church holding on to multiple strands of colored crepe paper strips. They march and sing, march and sing, until the entire pole is a multicolored ribbon of paper. It is always a challenge for the teachers to keep the stragglers from being wrapped in ribbon along with the pole, but everyone has fun. This year was not different as they marched on May 4 singing, "Here we go 'round the May pole, the May pole, the May pole."

Senior EYC with Dan Schert and Fr. Jim and Susan Elliott

The Senior EYCers unofficially finished the year with a Mexican Fiesta and Blessing of the Fleet at the Elliotts' on May 16. Dr. Dan Schert provided the "spiritual dessert." The group welcomed home some of their alumni: Gus Elliott, Alex Elliott and Thomas Greneker, who have been away at college.

We also celebrated our graduating seniors, Mitchell Beeland, Marylee Pendleton and Matthew Barnes. Y'all will be dearly missed, and we thank you for all you have given our group and wish you Godspeed. Please know that although you have graduated, you are always welcome back! This awesome group of young folks want to continue to meet during the summer, and we are working on a schedule. Louttit Hall will be the place to gather each Wednesday night if you are able to come when another activity isn't planned. On Wednesday, May 30th we will gather at the Querins' to swim and cookout at the regular time.

Those who are Happening Reunioners will also continue to meet at Molly & Paul Stephenson's home at 7:00 p.m. Sunday evenings **except** June 2 & 9 as Molly will be in Poland singing with Sine Nomine.

We had a very rewarding year discovering God, ourselves and each other.



Friends, Family and the 4th at Honey Creek



June 30 - July 5, 2012

**Unstructured fun time for all ages - no agenda.
Just come and enjoy Honey Creek.**

This event is open to everyone of all ages.

**Starts with supper on June 30 and ends with
breakfast on July 5. This is an open period
between two summer camp sessions. Come for a
day, an overnight, or for as long as you can.**

**Estimated Cost - \$125 per day for lodge room and
three meals a day. Cost is less for dormitories.**

**The Ariail-Connell-Skelton-Varner-Meade clan
and The Hiers clan will be there too. We plan a 1/2 day
service project to help Honey Creek. Join us!**

**Contact Carolyn Middleton or Dade Brantley
carolyn@honeycreek.org or or call 912-265-9218
for reservations.**

Camp Honey Creek

A ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Georgia

Campers have come to Honey Creek for over 50 years to connect with God, develop lifelong friendships, explore nature, and just be kids. Join us. Look for camp info:

[<http://www.honeycreek.org>.](http://www.honeycreek.org)



Sessions

High School Camp - June 17-23

Completed Grades 9-12

St. Joseph and Mary I - June 24-30

Completed Grades 3-5

St. Peter - July 8-18

Completed Grades 6-8

St. Joseph and Mary II - July 15-21

Completed Grades 3-5

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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