

Christ Episcopal Church - Valdosta, Georgia

July 2012

Vacation Bible School

Mark Your Calendar

July 4 11:00 a.m. Service followed by Hot Dog Luncheon

> **July 5 - 12** General Convention in Indianapolis, IN

July 16 Vestry Meeting 5:30 p.m.

July 22 Fr. Ingeman's 30th Diaconate Ordination Anniversary

July 22 Fr. Ingeman's Birthday

July 28 Fr. Ingeman's Retirement Reception (Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts) 6 - 8 p.m.

July 29

Fr. Ingeman's last Sunday; Bishop Benhase will dedicate the Education Building

July 31 Fr. Ingeman's last day as rector

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This year Christ Church joined First Christian Church and First Presbyterian Church to host Vacation Bible School June 3 through June 6 from 5:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. at First Christian Church. Each night began with dinner followed by a series of classes for each age group: preschool, kindergarten and first grade, second and third grades, and fourth and fifth grades. The children rotated from recreation, music, crafts, Bible lesson and snack time, discovery and group singing. This year's theme was "Operation Overboard: Dare to go deep with God." Lots of sea-themed decorations enhanced the facility including jellyfish made from coffee filters and crepe paper, blue tulle in several shades of blue, a real ship's wheel, a huge hand painted diver's mask that the children stood behind to have individual photos made by Julius Ariail, fishnet, *continued on page 8*



The Vineyard **On the Web**

The Vineyard is posted to the Christ Church Web site in color at <www. christchurchvaldosta.org>. Look in the "Publications" area to see this newsletter.

The Vineyard **Deadline**

The newsletter deadline is the 15th of the month prior to publication. Send information to <juliacariail@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 Kim Dudley, 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 -'12Phyllis Hiers -'14Clinton Beeland -'13Aaron Parten -'12Stefani Carroll -'13Steve Roberts -'13Robin Coleman -'14Sandy Sandbach -'14Susan Elliott -'12Jeani Synyard -'14Sparky Greneker -'13Joe Tomberlin -'12Jeff Hanson -'14Lucy Tomberlin -'13Will Hanson -'12Sandbach -'14

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Vestry Report from May 21, 2012

- Prayed for the family of vestry member Dr. Philip Gunter
- Reported on the continuing progress of the new building.
- Discussed the use of Tomberlin House but came to no definite decision as to its future use. Agreed to have building appraised.
- Announced the Chris Hanson Eagle Scout project to renovate the burial garden.
- Approved the appointment of Dr. Will Hanson to fill the unexpired vestry term of the late Dr. Philip Gunter.
- Announced the success of the DR Auction which raised \$4,700 for scholarships to the school in El Pedregal.
- Announced the resignation of parish administrator Molly Stevenson and made plans to have a volunteer in the office while we look for a new administrator.
- Reported on plans for Vacation Bible School in conjunction with First Christian and First Presbyterian, June 3-6.
- Announced plans for the retirement party for the Ingemans at the Turner Center for the Arts on July 28.



Steve Roberts 2012 Senior Warden

Aaron Parten 2012 Junior Warden

Vestry Report from Called Meeting June 11, 2012

- Distributed vita for four prospective Interim Rectors: The Rev. Martin J. Bagay, The Rev. Canon Laura "Joye" Q. Cantrell, The Rev. Dr. Robert George Nichols, III, and The Rev. Jess L. Reeves.
- Discussed interview strategies and asked the Senior Warden to schedule interviews with all four candidates.
- Discussed salary package including salary, housing, retirement, and insurance obligations from national and diocesan canons.
- Agreed to invite the candidates for one to two-day interviews including tours and dinner with as many vestry and clergy as can attend.



In accordance with the Canons of Christ Episcopal Church, Dr. Will Hanson was designated to fill the unexpired term of the late Dr. Philip Gunter on the Vestry. Dr. Hanson's term will end December 2012, but he will be eligible to be re-elected.

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



From the Rector

While I was Away...

We were away for ten days, traveling to Virginia to attend the High School graduation of our granddaughter Sigrid, visiting our son Steve and his family in Falls Church, a Washington DC suburb. It was a truly excellent visit with perfect

weather and much time simply to enjoy family company. Our other event was that the trip included the somewhat postponed 50th wedding anniversary celebration in Williamsburg, Virginia. The month was June; it took a long time to make reservations for June, the family travel month, but we did and it was delightful. Two big events in a short time. This morning I was astonished at how much had happened at Christ Church in just ten days. I am looking out my office window and new cement walkways, gates and fencing at the new building as well as the beginnings of a walkway from the Parish Hall to the Education Building, a lot of work, a lot of change in a very short time. Now, as I write, the alley is being regraded for paving, truck after truck of fill dirt pulling up and dumping the dirt in the alley while machines spread it out. This stuff is exciting! I was asked by a visitor, "Who would have dreamed that Christ Church could have a building like that?" The answer of course is that you did... a powerful witness to your love for, and faith in, the mission of our parish family. Many, many thanks.

Peter+



The Five Marks of Mission

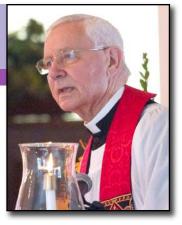
I guess in some respects, I have been called " the mission priest." I do talk about it quite a bit. I have expectations that the church at large will be involved in mission, and I pray that local churches will also discover ways to engage in mission activities in their own communities. I actually consider the title somewhat of an honor. The Episcopal Church has agreed on Five Marks of Mission. These five marks are what should drive the mission of the church. In a perfect world, it should drive every action of the National Church, the Diocese, and the local

congregation. The Episcopal Church will need to realign their triennial budget to reflect the Five Marks of Mission. To date we have not seen a budget that reflects these ideals. It looks like this is going to happen on the floor of the House of Deputies at General Convention. Pray for the Deputation from Georgia as well as the deputies who will vote on this matter. Pray that as a church we will not only hold these Five Marks as ideal but as disciples of the risen Lord, find ways to put them into practice.

The Episcopal Church defines the Five Marks of Mission as:

- ~ To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom,
- ~ To teach, baptize, and nurture new believers,
- ~ To respond to human need by loving service,
- ~ To seek to transform unjust structures of society,
- ~ To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

Tar+



Senior Warden's Corner

Greetings.

July, which among other

things is the final month of

Father Ingeman's tenure as

planned as we say goodbye

our rector. Much is being

to our first family, most

when we honor the

notably the last weekend

The calendar has reached



Steve Roberts

Ingemans with a reception at the Turner Center on Saturday followed by the dedication of our education building on Sunday. As the month progresses, your vestry will begin the interview process for an interim rector. The three candidates to be considered are the Rev. Martin Bagay, the Rev. Canon Joye Cantrell, and the Rev. Dr. Robert Nichols. Fr. Bagay is currently priest-in-charge at All Saints, Warner Robins. Canon Cantrell recently completed a six-year appointment on the Cathedral staff of Trinity, Columbia, SC. Dr. Nichols recently completed an interim assignment in Champaign, IL. We have scheduled an interview with Fr Bagay on July 2-3. Plans are to interview the other candidates as soon as possible after General Convention, which concludes July 17. Change is coming, and we will soon enter unchartered waters. Your thoughts and prayers are encouraged. Peace.

Steve



In El Pedregal Rev. Tar shows Ana Maria's son, Oluarvis, a recent photo of his mother, showing that she is healing.

Ana Maria Quiroz Healing from Surgery

Ana Maria Quiroz, our mission friend of 11 years from El Pedregal, is healing very nicely from her surgery. She has been staying in Charleston, SC, with the Wallaces. In a few days she will be having another MRI to determine her course of treatment. The surgeon is

hopeful that he was able to get the entire tumor so that no additional treatment is necessary. Ana Maria is feeling much better, her headache is almost gone and the swelling in her face, hands and feet has diminished. Ana Maria believes in modern day miracles. She is grateful to all those who have helped her on the journey to recovery.

New Parish Administrator



Kim Dudley became the new parish administrator on June 4. She and her family moved to Valdosta May 15 from Barnwell, SC, where she was

an office administrator for the Barnwell Presbyterian Church. She and her husband, Ebb, have two children: Benjamin, 15, and Christal, 12, who are both home schooled. As a child in a military family, she lived in many places, but her father has retired in Charleston, SC. She likes to read and crossstitch.

"It might take me a while to learn all the parishioners' names, but I am excited to be here and willing to help in any way," Kim said.

The office hours are 9 a.m to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday with a lunch hour from 12 n. to 1 p.m.



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2012 Mission to El Pedregal, Dominican Republic, June 16 - 23











s we go yet again into the village of El Pedregal, we can't help but wonder why the people of the village are so excited to see us. While Ana Maria Quiroz was visiting in Valdosta, she was asked what makes our team different from the other teams that come to work in the village. Her answer was a little shocking, she said, "your team is different because you don't just come to do a job, you come to love the people." Ana Maria's comment was the best that we could have ever hoped for. We learned a long time ago, that it is about relationship. It is about our relationship with God, with the team and with the partners God has placed in our path. One God, One Church, One Mission, is our mission team motto, and Ana Maria has confirmed that we have accomplished what we have set out to do.

We are grateful to the Home Team for all of their support, through their financial and material contributions, but above all for the prayers that sustain us every single day. A big thank you from the Go Team: The Rev. Tar Drazdowski, Jim Drazdowski, Julia Ariail, Julius Ariail, Liz Welch, Jim Ellis Fisher, Grady Lacy, Marilynne Marshall and Cathy Rippeon.







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SPECIAL DAYS

JULY

1 Aleta Corley 2 Hugh Bailey 4 Beverly Cowart Grace Diamond 5 Laurie McCall Theo Reed 6 Katherine Mayer 8 Katie Bell Walter Williams 9 Katie Wisenbaker 11 Brooklyn Prine 14 Jerry DeMott 15 David Cribb **John Hiers** David Holland 16 Sandra Fletcher 17 Michael Black Linda Burch Rachel Rumstav 18 Pepi Nelson

19 Lisa Gilchrist

BIRTHDAYS

20 Pam Pitts 21 Hayden Coggins Nancy Sartin 22 Peter Ingeman Alexandra Peeples 23 Gail Hobgood **Caroline** Prine **Richard Rigby** 24 Jeff Hanson Walter Hobgood Brett Nelson 25 Pat Bezona Andrew Greneker McKey Nunn 27 Juanita Quinn Billy Tidmore Al Turner 28 Griff Holland 29 Emory Warrick, Sr. 30 Debi Saeger

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

3 Carter Coleman
5 Dori Carter
7 Kelly Lambert
Carol Roberts
Philip Roberts
9 Marge Fitzsimons
10 Griff Holland
19 Diane Halim
20 Pam Pitts
25 Victoria Warrick
26 Edith Shepherd



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 Cliff & Elizabeth Baker
- Ralph & Julie Jackson
- 12 Bill & Lucille Sineath 22 Rusty & Laurie McCall
- 22 Rusty & Laurie McCall
- 24 Bill & Kathy Armstrong 25 Dave & Pat Armstrong
- 26 Halim Faisal & Diane Halim
- 29 Aaron & Josie Parten Bill & Helen Tucker

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 likenew 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 - Completed! See story on page 9.

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>.

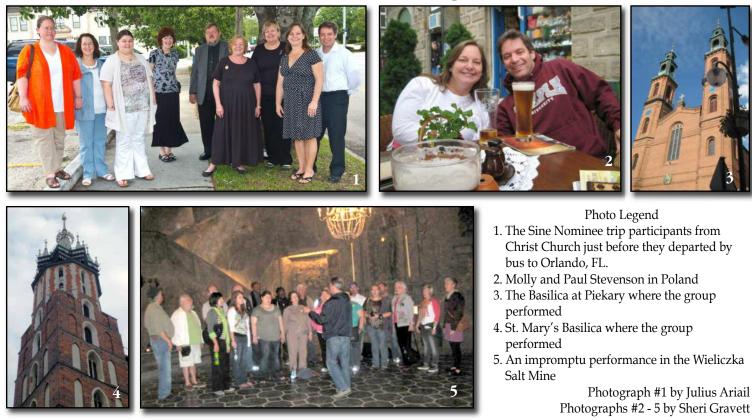
Toiletries Project - A project to collect unused hotel toiletries for families at LAMP. It needs a new coordinator. Bring in your travel toiletries from your summer vacations.



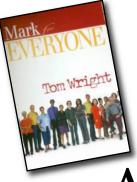
Saint Francis Notecards

Notecards featuring dogs and cats painted by Carmen Boatwright are on sale in the church office for \$15. Each pack contains 10 unique designs and 10 envelopes. Proceeds go to the St. Francis Fund for Animals.

Sine Nomine Singers



Five members of Christ Episcopal Church are also members of the local choral group Sine Nomine Singers that gave performances in Poland in June. Rachel Rumstay, Sue Ellen Rumstay, Dr. Jane Kinney, Molly Stevenson and Dr. Dick Saeger gave three very well-received performances: two at churches in Krakow--St. Florian's Basilica and St. Mary's Basilica and one at the Basilica of Piekary. Members of the singers' families and friends also accompanied the group. Dr. Kenneth Rumstay, Rosanne Rumstay, Dr. Sheri Gravett, Paul Stevenson, and Debi Saeger also went on the trip June 1 - 8. Dr. David Lee Johnson is the director of the group and his wife, Susan, is the accompaniet.



The Church Bookshelf

by Patricia Marks

Mark for Everyone by Tom Wright. SPCK, 2004.



uthor of more than thirty books, Tom Wright (or N. T. Wright, in his position as Bishop of Durham and now Professor at St. Andrew's), welcomes his readers into the world of the New Testament with a series for *everyone*, as he says. Each slender volume is arranged by

readings, Wright's own translations. And each translation is followed by a brief reflection written to show how Mark "makes you face the truth about Jesus, about God, and about yourself." Wright's style is straightforward and appealing, his goal to make the readings accessible so that they may be applied to everyday life. The reflections, which include a combination of background information and ideas about the relevancy of the passage, are followed by a glossary, not just of words like "parousia," but of commonly used key terms like "faith" and "sacrifice." This is a book that is useful for both group study and personal reflection.

















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Vacation Bible School

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photographs of fish and much more. Those from Christ Church included: John David Greneker, Lisa Jane May, Stefani Carroll, Cecilia Carroll, Noah Carroll, Karen May, Phyllis Hiers, Julia Ariail, Julius Ariail, Maria Taylor, Elizabeth Wisenbaker, Katie Wisenbaker, Andrew Greneker, Hudson Tanner, The Rev. Tar Drazdowski, Morgan Hiers, Keifer Meade, and Emerson Meade.





















Construction on the Education Building Nearing Completion













Ten New Kneelers To Be Dedicated on July 8



At the 9:30 a.m. service on July 8, the ten new kneelers which have been in the process of being created for the past two years will be displayed and blessed at the altar rail. Join us in celebrating the needlework ministry of Frances Crawford, Bill Nunn, Sally Nunn, Gnann Moser, Rita Hightower, Eloise Smith, Jane Ferrell, LaVoe Houck, Tilda Stubbs, Marilyn Kemper and Julia Ariail.

Mark Your Calendars

Dedication of the Education Building

Sunday, July 29 following the 10 a.m. combined church service

Bishop Scott A. Benhase and the Clergy and Parishioners of Christ Episcopal Church

Fr. Peter and Happy Ingeman at 25th Ordination Anniversary



Photograph by Deacon Patricia

The parishioners of Christ Church helped Fr. Peter and Happy Ingeman celebrate the occasion of his 25th anniversary to the priesthood following the Wednesday evening service on June 6. Fr. Ingeman was ordained at Christ Episcopal Church in 1987 while serving at our church as a deacon.



While the Vestry of Christ Church dealt with the details of borrowing \$15,000.00 to pay for building the parish hall, the group had to continue to focus also on the construction of the church and the "parish house." For instance, in the Vestry's meeting on January 2, 1949, Noah Fry presented a bid from Steward Melton and Company, of Jacksonville, for the placement of tile flooring in "the church proper complete, for \$732." Vestrymen approved that bid but did not act on an offer that Mr. Fry brought forward from Stone and Company.

Stone proposed to provide carpet, 27-inches wide, to cover the chancel floor and to serve as the aisle runner for approximately \$750.00. Vestry deferred action and asked for additional information about the bid. The point of concern was the suggested use of 27-inch carpet, given that the aisle runner would be 54 inches wide. Sewing two pieces together to achieve the proper width might lead to excessive wear at the seam owing to the volume of foot traffic on the runner.

The same meeting also featured a report by the Vicar, Fr. White, on the kitchen to be located in the southeast corner of the "parish house" that would connect the church with the parish hall or "assembly hall," as it was being called at the time. White's remarks emphasized the necessity for "prompt action" by the Ladies Auxiliary to purchase kitchen equipment because of the probability of the parish hall's being ready ahead

Christ Church Looks Back by Joseph A. Tomberlin

of schedule and, therefore, "the advisability of having the kitchen ready for use at an early moment." The carpet issue came up again at a called meeting of the Vestry on January 9, 1949. Discussion again centered on the width of the aisle runner and the desirability of using 54-inch wide carpet instead of piecing together 27-inch carpet to create the runner. Thus, a decision on carpeting was delayed once more.

The same called meeting also took up the matter of borrowing the money to pay for the parish hall that Tinker Concrete was already in the process of constructing. As noted in the June 2012 history article, Bishop Barnwell had recommended that Christ Church incorporate the Vestry. Upon completion of the procedure, Barnwell would transmit to the new corporation the title to Christ Church property, which could then be used as security for a loan. The problem at the moment was that, though the Vestry had submitted to the Georgia Secretary of State an application for incorporation, the Charter of Incorporation had not yet arrived in Valdosta. Vestrymen were reluctant to take any further action toward obtaining a loan. As the Minutes of the session put the situation, "as soon as the incorporated Vestry was a legal entity, proper evidences of indebtedness would be forwarded [to Bishop Barnwell]."

The Charter of Incorporation arrived from Georgia Secretary of State Ben Fortson in the following day's mail, that is, on January 10, 1949. Thereupon, Vestry held another called meeting on the same date. This gathering considered the by-laws of "The Vestry of Christ Protestant Episcopal Church of Valdosta, Georgia, Inc." that had been drafted by Valdosta attorney B. Lamar Tillman, brother of Senior Warden Jerome Tillman. Mr. Tillman's draft had circulated among the vestrymen for some time and had aroused only one point of contention, which was the definition of a quorum for corporation meetings. Now, with a single revision that identified a quorum as "a majority of the Directors, or five of the members, duly convened. . . ," Vestry unanimously voted approval. With charter in hand and by-laws agreed to, vestrymen also endorsed a resolution authorizing the President and the Secretary of the corporation, [Jerome Tillman and Robert G. Macks the Senior Warden and the Clerk], to "execute a note" in the amount of \$15,000.00 to Bishop Barnwell to pay for completion of the church plant. They were to request that Barnwell provide a note to them "in the form desired by him."

Mr. Macks, who usually was extremely prompt in writing letters dealing with Vestry business, did not inform the Bishop of the latest developments until January 19, 1949. He duly reported that the Vestry had empowered Tillman and Macks, as President and Secretary of the corporation, to sign a note for \$15,000.00 to "the Bishop of South [sic] Georgia for the funds required . . . for the proposed church building [i.e., the parish hall]." He also asked that the Bishop "prepare and forward for execution [the] note set up in the form desired by him."

Youth News by Stefani Carroll

Sunday School

The date for Sunday School kickoff is August 5. We will meet the teachers and tour the new building with parents and children at the Sunday School hour around 10:30 a.m. Sunday School classes will begin on August 12. I will have the names of teachers and their class levels in the August newsletter, as well as locations of each class.

We will need snack and drink donations for Sunday School classes every Sunday. Please sign up by email to <4stefani@bellsouth.net> or call 229-259-0315.





Father Peter Ingeman, left, displays the Softball Award, with Christ Church team manager, Griff Holland.

Softball Team Wins Runner-up Award

The Christ Episcopal Church Softball Team won the Men's Church Softball League Runner-up award for their division. Team manager Griff Holland and the team were recognized at the 9:30 a.m. Sunday service on June 24.





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

Our super Senior EYCers continue to meet each Wednesday night and continue to explore the events affecting our lives and how to respond to these issues in relation to our Episcopal faith. And sometimes we just hang out! Nonetheless God's work is going on in this group! We prayed for those attending Honey Creek and other camps and vacations.

Please stay posted on our Facebook page at the beginning of each week to see where we will meet for the coming week. We will NOT meet on Wednesday, July 4 - enjoy celebrating our country with your family! We will meet at the Elliotts on Wednesday July 11! GODSPEED!



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A new class will begin in August for prospective members of the Daughters of the King. If you are interested in joining the class, please contact Pat Bezona pbezona@bellsouth.net or 229-242-8289. The Rev. Deacon Nancy Sartin will be teaching the class. New members are \$50 which pays for the class, dues for the year and a DOK pin. DOK members' dues of \$35 are due to the national office by Sept 1. The dues help support new DOK orders and needs of DOK orders in the US and the world. Please make the check to Christ Episcopal Church with DOK in the memo line. Please send to the church attn: Amy Creasy or bring to the August 19th meeting.

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: <<u>http://www.honeycreek.org</u>>.



Sessions

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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