

## CALENDAR

### Nov. 18 through Nov. 25

Sunday – Nov. 18 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 – Holy Eucharist  
4:00 – Education for Ministry  
5:00 – Episcopal College Ministry  
6:00 PM – Vespers  
8:00 PM – Holy Eucharist

Mon. – Nov. 19 5:30 PM – Vestry Meeting  
8:00 PM – Café Grace – Louttit Hall

Wed. – Nov. 21, 6:00 PM – Holy Eucharist

Thurs. – Nov. 22, 11:00 AM – Thanksgiving Service  
12:00 PM – Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday – Nov. 25, 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 – Holy Eucharist  
10:30 – Sunday School  
4:00 – Education for Ministry  
5:00 – Episcopal College Ministry  
6:00 PM – Vespers  
8:00 PM – Holy Eucharist

**Birthdays this week: Today:** Jeanette Bajalia, Jon Burch, Aldine Carter, Marty Diamond, Emory Warrick, Jr.; **Monday:** Jim Elliott, Lauren Sandbach; **Tuesday:** Lori Campbell; **Thursday:** Claire Hanson; **Friday:** Danny Clark, Dan Holcomb; **Saturday:** Elizabeth Wisenbaker

**Baptismal Anniversaries: Tuesday:** Chase Adams, Jake Adams, Regan Adams; **Wednesday:** Grace Diamond; **Thursday:** Gil Gjertsen, McKey Nunn;

**Wedding Anniversaries: Saturday:** Charles & Carmen Boatwright, Steve and Maggie Roberts

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**November 19:** 5:30 Vestry Meeting  
**November 22:** 11:00 Thanksgiving Service  
**November 22:** 12:00 Thanksgiving Feast  
**December 1:** 10:30 Altar Guild meeting/coffee  
**December 2:** 10:30 Advent Wreath Making

### Serving Today

**Chalice Administrators:** Walton Carter, Joe Tomberlin,  
Sandra Fletcher

**Lay Readers:** Mike Holland, Joe Tomberlin, Phyllis Holland

**Acolytes:** Beth and Pierce Baker, Griff Holland and Phyllis Holland

**Ushers:** John Heirs, Will Hanson, Tom Carroll

## SPECIAL NOTES FOR TODAY

**Visitors,** welcome to our worship. We invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack in front of you and return via the offering plate. Join us after the service in the Parish Hall for refreshments; we would like to meet you.

Please support our **College Ministry.** We are in need of meals on Sunday evenings for next semester. Sign up in the parish hall.

Today will be **Ingathering Sunday** for the Episcopal Youth and Children's Services scholarship drive. The organization provides needs-based college scholarships and Honey Creek scholarships to deserving children within our diocese. You may use the "Gold Envelope" conveniently placed in your bulletin (make checks payable to EYCS) or go to [www.eycs.org](http://www.eycs.org) to donate safely and securely online.

**Altar Guild and Flower Guild Meeting/Coffee.** There will be an informal meeting/coffee with the Altar Guild, Flower Guild and Rev. Joye on **Saturday, December 1,** in the parish hall at 10:30 a.m. We look forward to light refreshments and cheerful chatter. Please bring any questions you may have. Anyone interested in joining either group is greatly welcomed. Thank you, always, for your faithful service to our church.

**Please watch your mailbox for the 2013 pledge cards,** and return to the church as soon as possible. Please prayerfully consider your 2013 pledge. We depend on these pledge cards to work up the 2013 budget. Pledge cards may be given to any vestry member, returned to the church office, or dropped in the offering plate. There are more pledge card packets in the Tower.

The **St. Francis Outreach Center** is in need of warm clothing and diapers. For information, see Deacon Patricia.

**Thanksgiving Dinner.** We will be hosting Thanksgiving Dinner in the parish hall on Thanksgiving Day following the 11:00 service. Wayne Ellerbee has graciously volunteered to cook the majority of the meat for the meal. We will need for you to bring side dishes. A sign up sheet will be in the parish hall. Please tell us the number of people who will be attending and the side(s) dishes you will be bringing. We will need to have volunteers to set up and help with clean up as our bounty will be plentiful but the labors are few! Please call the church office if you are willing to help with the dinner.

**Remember in your prayers:** Dave Armstrong, Pat Armstrong, Joan Bailey, Mimi Bajalia, Paul Bourgos, Cheryl Critchfield, Grace & Brody Force, Travis Grove, Velma Hobgood, Ramona Hoffman, Brooks Lovelace, Marilyn Miller, Bill Nunn, Jayne Nyhammer, Bernice Roberts, Eloise Smith, Mark Whatley

**Documentation available on Christ Church Website:** Minutes from the annual parish meeting, along with the Instructed Eucharist that was done during the combined service is now available on the church website at <http://www.christchurchvaldosta.org/?p=4887>. Also, the monthly Financial records can be found on the website under the "About" tab, and under the "Vestry" tab, scroll down to the bottom of the page for the financials for 2012.

**Thank you** to everyone who has been saving and collecting plastic grocery bags. We have had a tremendous outpouring of bags collected. We are **no longer** in need of these bags. Thank you to all who helped.

The **vestry** will meet this Monday, November 19, 2012 at 5:30. All vestry members please plan on attending.

Save the Date. The **2013 Dominican Republic mission** trip is scheduled for **June 15-22, 2013**. We are always looking for people interested in joining us. Keep watch for further details.

There will be **no Valencia Bible Study this week**, Tues. – Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>. The Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> at Eloise Smith's Home.

**"Waiting for Joyful Hope"** the Daily Reflections for Advent and Christmas are in the Tower. Please pick one up on your way out.

**Sick or Hospital Visitations:** If you are sick, or admitted to the hospital, please call the church office to let us know. One of the priests would like to visit. Due to HIPAA Laws we are not informed if a church member is admitted to the hospital. It is up to the patient, or the patients' family to inform their church. If it is after church hours, please use the emergency numbers printed on the back of the bulletin. Thank you.

**Festival Chorus of Valdosta:** David Lee Johnson, Conductor with Soloists and Chamber Orchestra presents: **"Messiah"**. The concert will take place on Sunday, November 25, 2012 at four o'clock in the afternoon. St. John Catholic Church, Valdosta. Donations will be accepted to benefit LAMP.

Christ Church is looking for members who are interested in being a **Lay Eucharistic Minister, or a Lector**. Please contact Rev. Joye, Rev. Tar, or the church office if you are interested in helping to serve the church in this manner. Note: Bishop Benhase has stated that Lectors have the option of not vesting and can sit in the congregation during service.

**Advent Wreath Making:** We will have an intergenerational Sunday School event in the parish hall on Sunday, December 2, 2012 immediately following the 9:30 worship service. Please come join in with your church family as we start off the new Liturgical Year.

## Help People Recover from Hurricane Sandy



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Hurricane Sandy is a large, complex storm that swept through the Caribbean on October 25 before heading north along the eastern coast of the US and making landfall in central New Jersey on October 29.

The storm caused significant damage as well as loss of life, and many areas are experiencing record flooding and power outages. Blizzard warnings have been issued for parts of the Appalachian mountains.

Episcopal Relief & Development has reached out to partners in the Caribbean and along the US East Coast, and stands ready to respond.

At this time, we ask that you continue to pray for all those who are impacted by the storm.

In addition, we have established a dedicated Hurricane Sandy Response Fund that will support the relief and recovery efforts of our partners in both the Caribbean and the US.

Our partners are currently in the process of conducting needs assessments and formulating relief activities. We will continue to be in touch with them as they minister to impacted communities.

In the United States, we have been in contact with over a dozen Diocesan Disaster Coordinators about activities on the diocesan and parish levels.

We will continue to be in touch with our partners through the immediate relief and long-term recovery phases of their storm response.

### Enclosed is my gift to the Hurricane Sandy Response Fund.

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