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*"The light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness has not overcome  
it." (John 1:5)*

*The full moon shining over Fishing  
Bay and reflecting across the water  
the other night reminds me that  
God's love is always shining in our*

*lives. Sometimes we experience it in its fullness and find com-  
fort and strength. Other times, when our lives are filled with  
the burdens of life, we may experience it as a half or quarter  
moon. At those times when life overwhelms us, as in the death  
of a loved one, we may feel like God's love is like a new moon  
in which the sun's light is reflected off the moon entirely, away  
from the earth and we may ask, "Where is God?". And then  
there are those nights when we can't see the moon at all be-  
cause the sky is overcast and cloudy. Those are the times when  
we let the distractions of the world keep us from ever thinking  
of God's love; we're too preoccupied with other things to even  
pay attention.*

*Like the moon looking down upon the earth every minute of  
the day and night, God's love is being poured out upon us  
whether we see it or not and that brings me hope. - Fr. Stuart*

**Rejoice and Be Glad:  
for God is at Work Among Us  
and Every Day is a New Adventure!**

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Sunday Services:  
8 am  
A quiet traditional Service of Holy Communion  
&  
10:30 AM  
A Family Service of Holy Communion  
with Music and Choir

**Christ Church Parish**  
**Address Service Requested**

*"A joy-filled church  
with a heart and place for all."*



## The Flower Guild is asking for contributions !!!

Contributions are needed for the lovely new planters on either side of the doors to our beautiful church. The total wholesale cost for both, including the soil and plants, is \$550.00. Donations may be made to Christ Church Parish and please note "For planters". Please do not hesitate to ask Cindy Naylor if you have any questions.

Editor's note: Our beautiful church and grounds are so fortunate to have Cindy's help and expertise and everyone who helps with the Flower Guild. We do LOTS with very little money, often out of our yards. Let's support them.



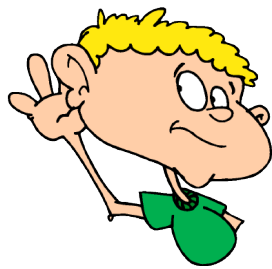
Happy Anniversary

## Summer Fun 2nd Annual USHERS Pool Party & Picnic



**Mark your calendar for August 7th at 3:00 PM for the 2nd Annual Ushers picnic. All Ushers should receive an email closer to**

**the date with all the details so please join us again this year! If you do not receive the email, let Robin Wells know and he'll get it to you. It would be very helpful to let Robin know if you can attend or not closer to the date so that there will be plenty for all!**



### NOW HEAR THIS.....

On August 13th, the ECW is hosting Jodie Pully, the current President of the ECW for the Diocese of Virginia. She promises to be an inspirational speaker, sharing her message of greater mission. We will start at 9:30 with a continental breakfast. Make plans to attend!

- July 2 - Vivian Milby, Kathy Clarke and Don Stebbins
- July 5 - Alex Andersen
- July 9 - Jeff Loustaunau
- July 10 - Sally Austin and Jeff Shaw
- July 11 - Chris Jones
- July 12 - Brenda Brizendine
- July 14 - Evelyn Turner
- July 15 - Judy Quilter
- July 23 - Cindy Naylor
- July 25 - Harriette Floyd and John Quilter
- July 28 - Marcia Prichard
- July 30 - Evie Wilton and Chip Buxton
- Aug 1 - Jack Fackler
- Aug 2 - Jean Hill, Anne Wilcox, Betsy Evans and Jack Tarran
- Aug 9 - Jenni Brockman
- Aug 11 - Linda Irwin and Gibbie Mangum
- Aug 12 - Kelly Pollok and Virginia Bishop
- Aug 13 - Ginger Hellems and Jon Bronner
- Aug - 18 - Barbara Cockrell
- Aug 20 - John Hilliard
- Aug 21 - Roseanne Moncure
- Aug 22 - Clayton Neal
- Aug 23 - Jack Hellems
- Aug 25 - Jane Bunnell

- July 4 - Roxanne and Gerry May
- July 5 - Laura and Joseph Jones
- July 8 - Theresa and Lewis Liverman
- July 9 - Ginger and Jack Hellems
- Aug 8 - Judy and John Quilter
- Aug 9 - Ann and Don Harris
- Aug 17 - Jenni and Allen Brockman
- Aug 17 - Evie and Art Wilton
- Aug 27 - Doris and Edward Radcliffe
- Aug 28 - Linda and Byron Parker
- Aug 31 - Mary and Chip Buxton



*If we have forgotten to list your birthday or anniversary, please contact the Parish Office (758-2006) so we may correct our records.*



## Special Calendar Notes:

- Happy 4th of July !!
- July 9 – Deadline for yard sale items to be dropped off at church – NOON!
- July 10 – Charles Lawson from the Highlander Studios will do a presentation of our 350th photos and video, starts 12:00 Noon in the Parish Hall
- July 16 – ECW Yard Sale at the Cryer Center
- July 17 – deadline for goods donated for the Hilliards trip to Wise County
- August 7 – 2nd Annual Ushers picnic, 3:00 PM
- August 13 – ECW meeting hosting Jodie Pully as speaker, continental breakfast begins at 9:30 AM in the Parish Hall



**SPECIAL THANKS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**TO THE HARDWORKING BROTHERHOOD FOR A WONDERFUL PICNIC FOR ALL OF US TO ENJOY!**

## Habitat Outreach----



Thank you to the Christ Church Habitat Week volunteers: Ann Padgett, Susie and Jeff Loustaunau, Jim and Lydia Dudley, David Wilcox, Clayton and Susan Neal, Barbara Cockrell, Jean and Chip Holt, Grace Parker, Jack Tarran, Jack Fackler, Ginger Hellems, Rosa Moncure and Jim Knupp. In just 5 days, the volunteers painted all the walls in the home, finished two porches, cleaned up two very messy work sites, painted a million feet of trim, hung the shutters and unloaded and laid down a LOT of flooring. Way to go Christ Church team!!

Work on the second Habitat home will begin as soon as adequate funds are obtained. If you were not able to participate in Habitat Week and would still like to contribute, please consider a donation to Habitat to sponsor materials for the second home. Donations (any amount) can be sent to Habitat for Humanity Middlesex, Inc., P.O. Box 492, Hartfield, VA 23071. All donors are recognized at the homes' dedications.

**DID YOU KNOW ??** You can sponsor the addition of a door for \$300 or exterior lighting for \$250. For much less, you can sponsor a box of nails, a can of paint or a door knob. For much more, you can sponsor a kitchen for \$1,975. Every little bit helps to put a house together for a deserving family. Most of the labor on the homes is provided through local volunteers. Once a home is completed, the mortgage payments are used by Habitat to buy supplies for the next home. Your donation just keeps on giving. Check out the full Habitat Sponsorship Guide on the Parish Hall bulletin board.



**JOHN and Susan Hilliard** will again assist with the Remote Area Medical Clinic July 22 – 24 in Wise County, VA. For most of the approximately 2,000 patients they will treat, this will be the only medical and dental care they receive for the year. Richmond area churches donate huge amounts of gently used clothing to distribute that weekend. However, there is also a tremendous need for NEW socks and underwear for people of

ALL shapes and sizes. If you are able to donate these items or contribute checks toward the purchase of these, please see John or Susan by July 17 or leave your purchases in the church library. The patients are always very appreciative of your generosity !!



## New Trustee - Thomas Llewellyn Samuel

Born in Richmond, Virginia February 9, 1934, Llew attended public schools in Henrico County and then graduated with a B.S. in Sociology from the Richmond Professional Institute (later Virginia Commonwealth University). In 1956, he was commissioned as an Ensign in the United States Navy and attained the rank of Lieutenant. He then graduated from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1962. He was employed by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad law department through 1989 in various positions, retiring as Vice President Law. This was followed by private law practice until 2003.



Llew has been a lifelong Episcopalian and a parishioner at Christ Church since 2002. He was a member of the Vestry for six years and a Senior Warden in 2006. He is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Saint Andrews Society and the National Association of Railroad Trial Lawyers (and President in 1988).

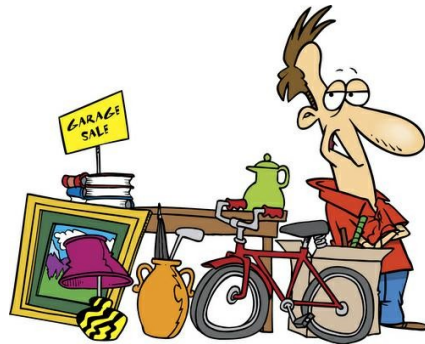
Thank you to Llew for beginning his 3 year term on July 1 this year!

## Don't throw it away...someone can make use of it!

Please save your household goods that you would typically donate. The ECW is having a yard sale on Saturday, July 16th at the Cryer Center. The Cryer Center trailer will be in the church parking lot and open to receive goods on Sunday, May 29th and every Sunday following both services. The trailer will also be open to receive goods on Saturday, July 2nd and July 9th from 10am until noon.

If you have large items to donate, contact Susan Neal at [shneal23149@gmail.com](mailto:shneal23149@gmail.com) or Judy Quilter at [pookeymcq@hotmail.com](mailto:pookeymcq@hotmail.com).

You will receive a tax deduction receipt. Members of the ECW will work the actual sale. The ECW will receive 50% of the proceeds from the sale. We appreciate your support!



## Cyber In-Security?

Tip: Forwarding Emails? We all get a tearjerker story or hilarious joke once in a while and just HAVE TO share with friends. Here is a suggestion:

First forward the email to yourself as the primary recipient. Then select BCC to choose the people to whom you want it sent. Using BCC prevents everyone's email address from being displayed, preserving their privacy. The final step before pushing "Send" is to right click over the personal information in the body of the email you will be sending and delete the names and previous email addresses. If these steps are not done when forwarding, then everyone who receives your email ALSO gets to see all the past senders and all the current recipients.



On Sunday July 10, Charles Lawson from the Highlander Studios will do a presentation in the Parish Hall starting at 12 noon of all the photos and video he did for our 350th anniversary service. Charles will explain the possibilities of how the photos and video can be used. The 350th committee will meet some time after the presentation and discuss how we move forward. The presentation will take about one hour. People are welcome to come and go as able. A quick preview of the photos hinted that they are WONDERFUL !! Exciting!

MIZPAH REST HOME  
Locust Hill  
Va.

# 96

*Julia Regal  
Buried in Matthews  
across to M. Faulkner  
(R. Merchant)*

May 27, 1959

TO The Committee for the Cemetery  
Christ Church Parish  
Christchurch  
Middlesex County  
Virginia

Gentlemen and Lady:

Aware of the brevity of life on this terrestrial ball, yet in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection of the dead, I hereby wish to express my desire to purchase a cemetery plot for two burials, which I understand will cost \$15.00. It is my hope that request will be given attention at the next meeting of the Cemetery Committee.

Very truly yours, ~~  
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Julia Regal, by C.V Covell.

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### Meet the Vestry –

The vestry has a responsibility for ensuring that the spiritual mission of the church is maintained, as well as for carrying out the more secular duties related to church property, finances and personnel. The vestry functions under the concept of “shared ministry”, in which the rector and the vestry are part of an interdependent team that involves many other parishioners in a variety of leadership and supportive roles.

Duties include:

- To support and to continuously encourage the members of the congregation to support the programs of the Church and to give generously to support those programs.
- To review the Vision and Mission of the Church and to establish goals and objectives designed to fulfill that Mission.
- The Vestry shall transact all of the churches temporal business including appointing Trustees, maintaining the Church’s property, making and executing contracts as required, regulating the use of any graveyard, establishing a Finance Committee, approving budgets and observing Canon 13 (Business Methods in Church Affairs).

The current members of the Vestry are:

- Class of 2016 - Bob Guillotte (Jr. Warden), John Hilliard, Chip Holt**
- Class of 2017 - Garry Clay (Sr. Warden), Barbara Shaw**
- Class of 2018 - Bev Hart, Don Stebbins, Vel Gray**

Vestry meetings are held in the Classroom across from the Library of the Parish Hall at 6:00 PM on the second Wednesday of the month. Exceptions to this schedule will be announced. Parishioners are welcome to attend the Vestry meetings.



*Notes from the Endowment Fund Board secretary*

As the retiring secretary to the Endowment Fund Board, I recently mailed 44 letters enrolling fund donors into The 1666 Society and the Founders' Circle. Did you get one of those letters? If so, please fill out the enrollment and return it to the church office or to any member of the Board. This will allow us to be sure your wishes are honored in terms of those Endowment Fund categories to which you direct your gift or bequest.

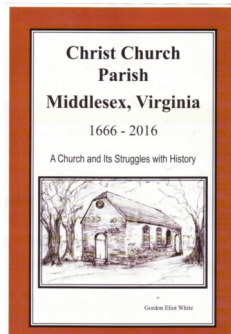


Did you NOT receive one of those 44 letters? That means that we are unaware that you have taken the steps to include the Christ Church Endowment Fund in your estate planning. If you have done that and did not receive a letter, please contact Jack Hellems, the new Board secretary and he will get a form to you immediately.

Several of those already in the Founders' Circle found it easiest to make a bequest by simply changing a beneficiary form for an IRA or checking or savings or brokerage account to make all or a portion payable to the Endowment Fund. Most reported that it took them only a few minutes to do this. If you have a current will or trust and do not need to change it for other reasons, this is a very simple avenue to take.

We are halfway through our 350th Anniversary year and the end of this calendar year will end the opportunity for enrollment in the Founders' Circle. While The 1666 Society will remain open in perpetuity, 2016 is the only year in which you can join the Founders' Circle! Do join now before it slips your mind....

Grace Parker, retiring secretary



Congratulations to Gordon White for completion of his book on the history of Christ Church Parish. The book is available through Gordon at 804-776-7947 or email at [gewhite@crosslink.net](mailto:gewhite@crosslink.net) for \$39.95 plus \$3.50 postage if mailed. It is also available in the church office. The book is the result of many hours of research over our 350 years of history! Excellent gift idea!

*Moments with  
Moose.....*



*Dogs are very loyal beings. We have all heard the expression "man's best friend" (sorry, Mom; I didn't write it.) We can be a great bodyguard because of our loyalty but I'm sure hoping Dad will do the fighting should the opportunity arise!*

*We often have to choose sides and determine loyalty in life. At the time of our country's birth, many people had to choose between England and this new country. Robert E. Lee chose to fight FOR his state of Virginia because he could not bring himself to fight against her. Keeping our freedoms today often requires a choice, an oath, a sacrifice or a commitment to our chosen loyalty.*

*Every time we say our country's pledge of allegiance renews that loyalty. And of course we renew our loyalty to our church, its principles and our faith in God at each church service.*

*Happy 4th of July!*

*SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT the next page: With my limited editing skills, I was able to insert the letter copy but could not add an explanation. It was submitted by Marilyn South, a historical and "hysterical" letter from our church history which she wanted to share. Hopefully we will find others!*