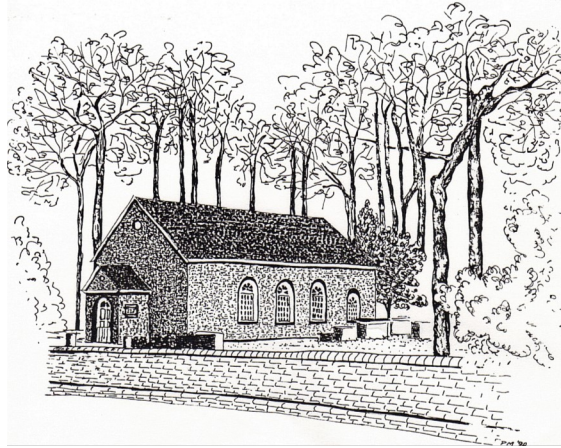




SEPTEMBER
2019

Join us Sunday & Wednesday



Location:

Rt. 33 & 638

Christchurch, Middlesex County, Virginia

Mailing:

PO Box 476; Saluda, Virginia 23149

Telephone:

804-758-2006

E-Mail:

ccparish@verizon.net

Website:

christchurchmiddlesex.com

Sunday Services:

8:00 AM

A quiet traditional Service of Holy Communion

10:30 AM

A Family Service of Holy Communion

with Music and Choir

The Rev. Stuart Wood

Rector

Christ Church Parish (Episcopal) Middlesex

Monthly Newsletter for September of 2019

Intentional Stewardship

On the last Sunday of September, we will observe Stewardship Sunday. It will be our opportunity to come together and turn in our pledge cards for the 2020-year budget. But wait a minute. Stewardship isn't just about pledge cards. Stewardship is a fact of life that covers far more than simply our wallets. When we stop and realize that everything we have comes from God – our time on earth, the talents we have, and whatever we have materially – we begin to understand that stewardship is a fact of life. It is something that everyone does whether they are religious or not. From a secular point of view, we might simply call it by another term, “budgeting”.



We need to ask ourselves, “Am I being a good steward of all that God has given me?” Well, if you find that you are over-committed and there isn't enough time in the day, then you may not be a good steward of your time. If you have overspent on your credit cards and are having to pay interest each month, then you may not be a good steward of your finances. The reality is, we are exercising stewardship each time we make a decision about what we will do or not do. As Christians, we are called to bring a level of intentionality to our stewardship, determining how we will spend the wealth of time, talent, and treasure with which we have been entrusted. The same is true for the Church itself. Our finance committee and Vestry work hard to make the best use of the resources that have been entrusted to them for the work of the church and your feedback will help them do a better job. Our committees also work hard at utilizing the talents of individuals that have been offered for the work of this community. As we work together, we need to support one another in prayer, asking that God's will be done and not simply our own. We need to remember that intentional stewardship is a life of consciousness about whose we are, the circumstances of our lives, and the opportunities that we have been given – individually and collectively as a community of faith.

Fr. Stuart



“Time and Talent”

We hope you all can join us on Sunday, September 8, for breakfast at 9 AM. This will be held by the Brotherhood and all members of the congregation are invited. Members of the Vestry will discuss some exciting things that our committees are doing. We will also preview what is being planned for the future. This will be a great way to see what committees you would like to be involved with next year. Come and enjoy!

Vestry Bulletin Board

Check out the Vestry bulletin board in the hallway of the Parish Hall. People are always asking, “What does the Vestry do? Why do they meet every month, even in the summer?” Hopefully, this bulletin board will help answer some of those questions. We have current information about committee missions, the Junior Warden’s projects (and there are many!), monthly church calendar, and our goals for this year. A copy of each month’s Vestry meeting is placed in the box near the office. If you still have questions, please ask any member of the Vestry.

A big **“thank you”** to the Altar Guild and the Flower Guild for always making our altar look so beautiful each Sunday. What an inspiring sanctuary for us all!

Pam McClelland
Senior Warden

Junior Warden Input

As this is the time of year to develop budgets, it is also the time of year when we focus on what needs to be done this coming year. To develop that list, the Building and Grounds Committee looked at our facilities using the following criteria to develop the projects or areas that we need to be working on.



First and foremost, we want to ensure our facilities are safe and that those using them are safe. Next, we want to ensure that we preserve the facilities, especially given the historic nature of our buildings and grounds. We also want to ensure that we respect and protect our environment and comply with all legal requirements. And finally, we want to conduct preventive maintenance that will help avoid costly and unexpected repairs in the future. These

criteria ultimately lead to ensuring the facility is one that is attractive and welcoming to our current members, our guests, and to future members.

So, if you have ideas about areas that meet the above criteria, please let me or our committee members know of what you think needs to be done. Your input is important to us!

The following are the members of the Building and Grounds Committee:

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Bert Butler | Paige Bishop |
| Jim Dudley | Mike Gorin |
| Bob Guillotte | Jack Fackler |
| John Short | Jeff McClelland |
| Jeff Loustaunau | Dave South |



Christ Church Parish (Episcopal) ECW

Karen Gorin, President; Page Wittkamp, Vice President; Virginia Miller, Treasurer; Sallie Wells, Recording Secretary; Kathy Spence, Corresponding Secretary

It has been a quiet summer! But Fall is our busy time! Aprons On? Another baking opportunity to try out new and old recipes! Wings, Wheels and Keels coming up on September 28th. I will put a signup sheet on bulletin board in Parish Hall for coverage at tent from 8 AM-4 PM. Set up on Friday between Noon and 4:00 PM. If baked goods could be dropped off at Parish hall during the week? Thank you all for your continued support in our funding efforts. Karen

Christ Church Parish (Episcopal) Brotherhood

President: John Hawkins; Treasurer: Mike Floyd; Secretary: Dave Wilcox



Sunday, September 8th will be our first Brotherhood Breakfast after a great summer break. As usual, we will meet at 9:00 AM in the Parish Hall. This meeting will be special as **ALL OF THE MEN & WOMEN** of the Church are invited. As normal for our first meeting of the Fall we will:

Collect the \$60 suggested breakfast donation for the coming year.
Begin planning for the Oyster Festival

Special for this meeting will be speakers from our Vestry. They will talk about some of the exciting things that our committees are doing. They will also provide a preview of plans for our Church's future. This will be a good time for you to think about how you would like to share your **"time and talent"** with our church.

So mark your calendars. Mike will send out a reminder later that will include the Treasurer's Report.

Christ Church Parish

P.O. Box 476
Saluda, Virginia 23149
804 758 2006

Dear Christ Church Parish Parishioner:

Your generosity and active commitments in support of our community of faith have been greatly appreciated! Your financial contributions and the sharing of your time and talents have given us the opportunity to continue Growing In Faith Together. In short, your gifts have helped us G.I.F.T.

Soon it will be time to focus on making commitments that will be needed to feed and sustain us for the coming year. We ask that you to make plans to do so. Christian faith is healthy when we are good stewards of God's gifts to us

Save this Date – September 29th, 2019 – Stewardship Sunday

Please mark your calendar for September 29th, Stewardship Sunday, and begin planning your pledges and commitments to facilitate the wellbeing of our parish for 2020. We will only have one service that morning beginning with a Community Breakfast at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall followed by Eucharist in the Church at 10:00 AM.

We all need each other. We need to support each other. Your pledges and commitments to Christ Church Parish for 2020 will foster us and will give us the strength to continue to enjoy Growing In Faith Together (G.I.F.T.).

Faithfully,

Stewardship Committee
Fr. Stuart Wood
Pam McClelland
Jack Hellem



| <i>SEPTEMBER</i> | | <i>Christ Church Parish</i> | <i>Calendar of Events</i> | | | <i>2019</i> |
|--|--------------------|---|---|---|--|---|
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| 1 8:00a Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:30a Holy Eucharist Rite II | 2 8p AA | 3 Noon AA 9:30a Hospitality Committee | 4 9:30a Holy Eucharist 1p Connecting Threads | 5 Noon AA 6:45p Boy Scouts | 6 | 7 |
| 8 8:00a Holy Eucharist Rite I 9a—Brotherhood Break- fast— ALL INVITED! 10:30a Holy Eucharist Rite II | 9 8p AA | 10 9a Finance Committee 10a Worship Committee Noon AA 4p Endowment Board 5:30p Vestry Meeting | 11 9:30a Holy Eucharist | 12 Noon AA 6:45p Boy Scouts | 13 <i>Full Moon Friday the 13th. 6:00 PM</i> | 14 |
| 15 8:00a Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:30a Holy Eucharist Rite II | 16 8p AA | 17 Noon AA | 18 9:30a Holy Eucharist | 19 9:30a Outreach Committee Noon AA 6:45p Boy Scouts | 20 | 21 6p—"Autumn Jazz Fest" sponsored by the Middlesex County Mu- seum. |
| 22 8:00a Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:30a Holy Eucharist Rite II | 23 8p AA | 24 Noon AA | 25 9:30a Holy Eucharist | 26 Noon AA 6:45p Boy Scouts | 27 | 28 Newsletter Deadline |
| 29 9a— Stewardship Breakfast FOR ALL! 10:00a Holy Eucharist Rite I | 30 8p AA | Oct 1 Noon AA | Oct 2 9:30a Holy Eucharist | Oct 3 Noon AA 6:45p Boy Scouts | | |



*And it will be your Lucky
Evening at
Christ Church Parish!
Friday the 13th
(of September)*



Beverages —Beer, Wine, Sparkling Peach Sangria, Water, soft drinks, lemonade & ice tea

Appetizers—Cheeses & crackers, Hot Artichoke dip, Spicy southwestern cracker spread

Main Course—Sliced or Shredded 16-hour Pork Boston Butt with a vinegar-based sauce or a tomato-based BBQ sauce served separately and Grilled shrimp skewers with chimichurri

Sides—Creamy cucumber dill salad, Golden Roasted potatoes with chimichurri, Green bean salad, and Cranberry spinach salad. **Bread**—Crusty garlic bread.

Desert "Bar" - Apple Crisp with Homemade vanilla ice cream.

Door Prizes are a welcome feature of these events and Bev & Mary Lynn have promised them again.

Place and Time—Christ Church Parish Hall at 6:00 PM for a Social and Dinner to be served at 6:30.

Cost—So, where else can you get a meal like this for \$30.00? See a Hospitality Committee member for your tickets now! Miles Libby, Bev Hart, Mary Lynn Landgraf, Linda Irwin, Jack Hellems, Robin Wells, Susan Neal, Roland Anderson
And returning for an encore performance will be the Ladies from Middlesex High

Ecumenical Opportunity



There will be a service at **Calvary Baptist Church** in celebration of Pastor Pleasants and his family's 25th Pastoral Anniversary on **Sunday, September 8th at 11:00 AM**.

Ms. Ellen is so pleased that several Christ Church Parish members may attend this service at her home church. If you wish to attend, but not miss out on activities at Christ Church Parish that morning, a possible scenario will be to attend **Christ Church Parish's 8:00 AM** service, then join the **Brotherhood Breakfast** and program at **9:00 AM**, then head over to get a seat at Calvary.

From your Endowment Fund Board



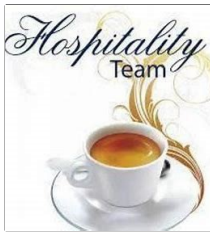
- ☒ Got a current will or trust
- ☒ Got Long Term Care Insurance. The family knows where all important papers are
- ☒ Father Stuart has my list of favorite hymns and service preferences
- ☒ Rats! I wanted to remember Christ Church in my estate, but I forgot

Did you know that if all your estate planning documents are in place and to your satisfaction, you can still easily leave a bequest to your beloved Christ Church simply by making us one of your beneficiaries on an insurance policy or savings or checking account? These require NO changes to your major estate documents but are normally just a simple form you can download and fill out to include us as a beneficiary. Today is a really good time to take care of that. If you have any questions, any member of the Endowment Fund Board can help you. Your church thanks you for making our future more secure for future generations. We are not financial planners, so, as always, please consult with your attorney or other professionals.

Grace Parker, Chair; Page Whitcamp, Secretary, Phil Brown, Treasurer; Pam McClelland, Senior Warden & Vestry Rep., Robin Wells; Fr. Stuart Wood, Rector

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Robin Wells, Chairman; Susan Neal, Vestry member; Miles Libbey, Vestry Representative; Bev Hart, Linda Irwin, Jack Hellems, Roland Anderson; Mary Lynn Landgraf. Meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 9:30 AM.



We are all hard at work getting ready for you all to join us for our “Full Moon Friday the 13th” which is really going to be very special. Make sure to get your tickets from a committee member (listed above) soon. They seem to be going faster than usual. We expect to have lots of visitors so please make sure to welcome them as we always do!

At our last meeting, we welcomed Jack Fackler as our newest member. Gosh, what hasn’t he done for our Church and most of them more than once! Jack gives us a historical perspective that we don’t and couldn’t have. Thanks for sharing your time and talents, Jack! Speaking of new members, we are in search of a number of new members to join the fun. We have a number of present members who are “aging” out come first of the year so we need your help.



The Flower Guild

The men and women of our very talented group of flower designers and arrangers, known as The Flower Guild”, never fail to make our lovely old church more beautiful each and every service.

If you can, you should read & or print the Newsletter from your computer. This way you will see everything in color which allows us to enjoy what’s been done once again!

This arrangement was done to Ginger Smither with photography by Miller Smither,

The Flower Guild would love to have you join them!

Call or email Harriette Floyd at 804-869-5495 or harriette.floyd@va.metrocast.net



OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Jean Holt, Chair, Clayton Neal, Judy Quilter, Jeff Loustanau, Vestry Representative, Susie Loustanau, CCS liaison,

The Outreach Committee has been informed of a wonderful opportunity for us to join the Church of the

Visitation in a monthly singing ministry at Dockside and Riverside Convalescent Center in Saluda.

The Visitation Singers will meet this **Wednesday, August 21st**. Their Schedule is to meet at **Church of the Visitation at 9:30 AM** the morning of the singing event to practice the Music for that day’s singing. (About 20 minutes)

Then the group travels to Dockside to sing, followed by traveling to Riverside in Saluda. Usually, this event **ends around noon**.

Carol McCormack (804-725-1656) leads this group and is very happy to welcome Christ Church Parish to join them this month and each month in the future- “The more, the Merrier”.

The music this month is all about Summer and the water. Carol noted that they will need Kazoos for Yellow Submarine! Songs they will be singing on the 21st:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| In the Good old Summertime | Over the Rainbow |
| By the Beautiful Sea | Down to River to Pray |
| Moonlight Bay | Down by the Riverside |
| Proud Mary | Shall We Gather at the River |
| Michael Row the Boat Ashore | Swing Low, Sweet Chariot |
| Yellow Submarine | Suwanee River/Old Folks at Home |
| May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You | |

What a fun time this will be to share some happy music with the residents of the 2 nursing homes! Hope you will be able to join in this week and in the months to come!

Featuring Some our Churches Beautiful Service Silver



Silver Chalice

This is a chalice with a baluster stem on a circular base with a rolled rim at the lip of the cup. It is engraved "A gift from Hon. Ralph Wormley in 1713 to Christ Church, Middlesex. Remodeled in 1855" It measures 8 1/4" high by 4 1/2" in diameter. It weighs 375 1/2 grams.



Silver Flagon

This is a contemporary sterling silver footed flagon with a hinged cover surmounted by a cross and a handle with "c" scrolls at the top and the bottom. The monogram "HIS" is engraved on the side. The inscription on the inside of the foot rim reads "Presented to Christ Church, Middlesex County, Virginia in Memory of John Bristow Clerk, by his descendants of the Ninth Generation, Gordon Wooley". The flagon measures 12 1/2" in height, including the cross and the base is 4" in diameter and weighs 809 grams. The Flagon is marked sterling and the maker's mark is MR in a circle over a vase is unidentified.



Silver Goblet

This beautiful octagonal footed silver goblet is a newer addition to the Christ Church Parish altar Guild's collection of silver. It was given in loving memory of Bill Perkins by his wife, Liz. Liz has been a long time member of the Alter Guild.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

September 28th.

ALTAR and FLOWER GUILD SCHEDULE

| 1Sep | 8Sep | 15Sep | 22Sep | 29 Sep |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Team 3 | Team 4 | Team 5 | Team 6 | Team 1 |

USHER SCHEDULE

| 1Sep | 8Sep | 15Sep | 22Sep | 29 Sep |
|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| 10:30AM | 10:30AM | 10:30AM | 10:30AM | 10:30AM |
| John Hawkins | John Hawkins | John Hawkins | John Hawkins | John Hawkins |
| Ann Padgett | Linda Irwin | John Hilliard | Ann Padgett | Ann Padgett |

Christ Church Parish Servers' Schedule

| | 1Sep | 8Sep | 15Sep | 22Sep | 29 Sep |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| 0800 | Rite 1 (HE) | Rite 1 (HE) | Rite 1 (HE) | Rite 1 (HE) | Rite 1 (HE) |
| EM/ Acolyte/Lect. | David W. | Jeff S. | Amy S. | Barbara S. | Healing Svc 10:00 Joint Service |
| 1030 | Rite II (HE) | Rite II (HE) | Rite II (HE) | Rite II (HE) | Rite 1 (HE) |
| EM (Ablutions) | Grace P. | Sharon C. | Harriette F. | Jean H. | Healing Svc Joint Svc. |
| EM (Prayers) | Harriette F. | John H. | Jean H. | Sharon C. | Dave W. |
| Crucifer/ Acolyte | John H. | Nicole D. | Mike G. | Nicole D. | Jack H. |
| Lector | Grace P. | Lydia D. | Page W. | Nicole D. | Grace P. |
| Gospel Book Bearer | Harriette F. | John H. | Jean H. | Nicole D. | Miles L. |
| | | | | Sharon C. | Jack H. |



| | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Tom & Kathy Clarke | 9/4/1976 |
| John & Sheila Gammel | 9/15/1976 |
| Mike & Karen Gorin | 9/15/1979 |
| Jeff & Susie Loustaunau | 9/2/1972 |
| Jeff & Pam McClelland | 9/28/1990 |
| Jim & Jewel Ray | 9/10/1949 |



| | | | |
|----------------|----|-----------------|----|
| Marion Goodloe | 4 | Jackie Brown | 4 |
| Barbara Shaw | 5 | Liz Perkins | 6 |
| Micki Clay | 7 | Betty Evans | 14 |
| Bob Montague | 18 | Sallie Wells | 22 |
| Janet Lundin | 24 | Jeff McClelland | 25 |
| Bill Cawthorn | 25 | Mary Buxton | 26 |
| Sheila Gammel | 29 | Cathy Spence | 30 |
| | | | |
| | | | |