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Pastor's Page

Dear Friends,

November is the month for Thanksgivings. Not only do we set aside one November day each year to give thanks for all we've been given, we also give thanks this month in our Stewardship Sunday on November 20. This year the Stewardship Team has aptly named the day "Our Bountiful Blessings Sunday". It's so easy to focus on the shortfalls and the negatives and the difficult challenges. But God is best honored in our joyful thanks for everything!! Our stewardship this year can reflect how very thankful we are - what a good thing to say to God!

We'll also be giving thanks in another way - our Mission Sunday on November 6. During breakfast we'll talk at our tables about the neighborhood mission we have done in the past, what we're doing right now, and what we dream of doing, maybe even this coming year! One of the most meaningful ways to give thanks is to share what we have with others.

"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

... 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Matt. 25:34-36, 40

Brothers and Sisters, we have been given much - so let's Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Praise!!

In God's Peace,

ML+

Tithing F A Q

Q. What is "proportional giving"???

A. Deciding on the percentage of our income we will give this year as our financial stewardship, and pledging that percentage. It's the first step toward the tithe (10%), if we choose.

Warden's Words

Check here next time for
words from our Wardens

What Is a Shelter Volunteer?

Mike Taint, Junior Warden

What is a Shelter Volunteer?

- A shelter volunteer is a person who wants to ensure no one sleeps outside in the freezing cold
- A shelter volunteer is over 80 years old
- A shelter volunteer is 18 years old
- A shelter volunteer is a man or a woman
- A shelter volunteer is 6'2" tall - or 5' tall
- A shelter volunteer cooks a dinner for shelter guests, or brings pizza, or watches the guests cook because he or she can't cook
- A shelter volunteer can do a triathlon – or may be partially disabled
- A shelter volunteer is an expert in social work – or is a student, or a project manager, or retired, or an administrative assistant, or a computer programmer or well, you get it
- A shelter volunteer works full time, or part time, or not at all
- A shelter volunteer is a very busy person – who can spend one night a week at church, occasionally
- A shelter volunteer is very outgoing – or very shy
- A shelter volunteer is a Christian
- A shelter volunteer is a hero

Anybody can be a shelter volunteer. We need you this year for this important ministry. If you have a free night once in a while and are interested, call Mike Taint or Summer Watts and we'll get you into it. You'll be glad you did.

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Hmmmm.....

Here I am, actually thinking about "proportional (or percentage) giving". How do I figure this out?

Well, let's see. I make \$36,000 a year, or \$3,000/month.

If I go out to dinner with my family three times a month, that costs \$60 each time - \$180/month to eat out.

That's 6% of my income to eat out three times a month.

I give \$25/month to my church. That's about 8/10 of 1% of my income.

What percentage is God calling me to give joyfully to the mission and ministry of Christ Church? Does that mean I never eat out? Does that mean maybe I do less of one thing and more of another?

What does God mean for me to do???

Maybe I should ask....

News from the Ministries

Mother Lynn asked for people in Eucharist Visit training to say a few words about their experiences so far. Here are some testimonies.



I enjoyed the training on the 22nd. I learned that taking communion to someone outside the church is about more than just offering bread and wine. Depending on the needs of the person I might be offering a listening ear, or just my companionship, along with communion. The role-playing exercises at the end of the workshop gave me a lot of insight.

Dana



In response to Mother Lynn's request, here is my reflections from Saturday's EV training. I learned much from One and All. I now realized the importance of EV'S ministry to reach those that are homebound or shut-in's or simply on our Prayer List. I was called to go out and continue to spread the Good News of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus. It is important to reach those on Sunday's to take along our message of Love, Faith, Happiness and that they are truly with us everyday!! Thanks.

Rick

Share-One-to-One Clothes Closet

Every Tuesday in October we have had 12-15 people waiting outside the doors of the Clothes Closet when we opened. We consistently have 25-45 people. Some new each week, others who are returning "clients." These people also get clothing for loved ones, friends or even residents of nursing homes who can't come in themselves. Our total number of people served often reaches nearly 60 counting these additional individuals.

At the clothes closet we try to give these individuals shoes, clothing, coats, bedding, hats, gloves, personal hygiene items, dishes, etc. We mostly rely on the community to donate these items to us. We also try to partner with other groups and direct the person in need to those groups.

Recently we had a couple come to the clothes closet that are living in a tent. She is expecting a child. He lost his job with a trucking company. They are homeless. We were able to give them two blankets, warm clothes, shoes, a small amount of food and contacts to help them with their other needs. Fortunately, it has not been extremely cold. Perhaps they will be finding shelter in our emergency shelter.

We have been very blessed with donations, but we seem to always be in need of more women's extra-large, infants, and children's clothing. With cold weather approaching, we need things like coats, hats, gloves, and socks.

We really appreciate all those who have volunteered and those who donate items. We know God has good things planned for us (Jeremiah 29:11). Please pray for the clothes closet and the emergency shelter.

Remember: "For we are God's workmanship created in Christ Jesus to do good works. Works which God prepared in advance for us to do."
Eph 2:10

Cheryl Allen, Founder and director
JoAnne Earley, Christ Church volunteer



A thank you to Vikki Carter for her support with Glenn Donovan's homeless donations. She has contributed tremendously.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Have you seen someone in need of a call, care package, or visit?** Tell a member of the Vestry. Tell your wardens, Summer and Mike. Tell your communications person, Tanya. Let us know so people in need are not missed.

Coffee Hour: We need volunteers for the coffee hour for the rest of the year. Sign up is in Parish Hall.

Altar Flowers: If you would like to purchase live flowers for the altar, please see Doug Pultz or Pam Feinour. The cost is \$20.

Church Supplies Greatly Needed: The church is in need of Kleenex tissue, paper towels, and toilet paper...if possible, please pick up a little extra when you go to the grocery!!! Please see Vicky for further details.

Office Supplies Needed: 11x17 white paper, mailing labels, and postcard stamps are needed for the Parish office. See Becky for further details.

Christ Episcopal Church Xenia online shop

<http://www.cafepress.com/CECX>

Find t-shirts, mugs, bags and other great gifts from the Christ Episcopal Church Xenia CafePress shop. High quality. 24 hour shipping available. Not comfortable with buying online, see Tanya Ellenburg-Kimmet. She can show you color choices and items available. She'll even order it for you and have it shipped to the location of your choosing. All proceeds go to CECX!

Q. What happens if I lose my income??

A. Any percentage of 0 is 0 – and that's what we're expected to give!

Q. What's so important about the tithe?

A. It's the biblical standard and the standard of the Episcopal Church, that tells us that keeping 90% of all we have, and returning 10% back to God, is a pretty fair standard.

Tithing F A Q

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

02 Susanne Ellis
08 Tanya Ellenburg-Kimmet
Dick Loveless
09 Barbara Blackburn
Eric Patterson
10 Otto Anderson
12 Karen Patterson
13 Chris Hudson
Michael Rhyne
16 Carol Conway
22 Isabelle Ellis

Oops...if we ever miss your birthday or anniversary please give notify the Parish Office.

Keep the Church Directory "up to date"... if you are planning a move in the near future, or have a new phone number or e-mail address please be sure and let the church know. **Thanks!**

Check out our Church website:

www.christepiscopalxenia.org

New email address for parish

office: christepiscopalxenia@gmail.com

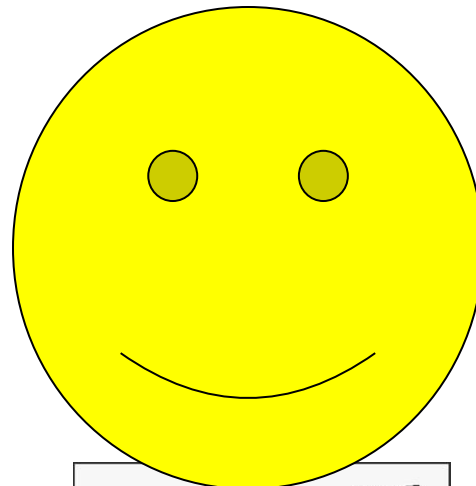
New Church Directory: If you would like a copy of the new directory, please let Becky know and she'll make a copy for you. You can call her at the Parish office during the week, or email her at church, christepiscopalxenia@gmail.com.




Children's Corner

For those who are young, those who think they are young, those who feel young at heart, and those who aren't any of the above (nobody's looking... Have some fun!)

From Newsletternewsletter.com





Give Praise

Solve this puzzle to read a Bible verse about praising God for all his blessings.

Directions: In each group, underline the word that doesn't belong. Then write the underlined words on the lines below.

1. Give Take Grab	2. peanut praise pear	3. temple house Lord	4. proclaim past present	5. name boy lad	6. ruin destroy make
7. pine acorn known	8. train nations bus	9. done donut muffin	10. Sing Sleep Yawn	11. she him girl	12. sun praise moon
13. tell fast slow	14. red all blue	15. horrible dreadful wonderful	16. acts sisters aunts		

" _____ to the _____, _____ his _____ ;
 _____ among the _____ what he has _____ .
 _____ to _____, sing _____ to him; _____ of _____ his
 _____ . " PSALM 105:1-2, NIV

Answers: 1. Give, 2. praise, 3. Lord, 4. proclaim, 5. name, 6. make, 7. known, 8. nations, 9. done, 10. Sing, 11. him, 12. praise, 13. tell, 14. all, 15. wonderful, 16. acts.
 Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. (Psalm 105:1-2, NIV)

SIGN OF THANK FUL NESS

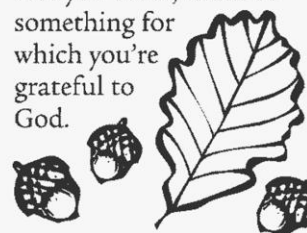
Create this festive sign, which will serve as a yearlong reminder to be grateful.

What you need:

- Hole punch
- Large piece of cardboard or cardstock
- Twine
- Twigs
- Glue
- Acorns, leaves (real or silk) and raffia

What you do:

1. Punch two holes in the top of the cardboard.
2. Thread twine through the holes and tie it in a knot (for hanging).
3. Using twigs, spell out "Be Thankful," "Thank God" or a similar phrase about gratitude. Glue the twigs onto the cardboard.
4. Decorate the sign by gluing on acorns, leaves and raffia.
5. Hang up your sign. Whenever you see it, think of something for which you're grateful to God.



Xenia Area Winter Emergency Shelter - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

1. What is the Xenia Area Winter Emergency Shelter?

The Xenia Area Winter Emergency Shelter is a drop in shelter for homeless men and women during the winter months (November through April) operated by Christ Episcopal Church (November through January) and Emmanuel Baptist Church (February through April) in Xenia.

2. Where is it located?

The shelter actually operates inside the church's respective community areas – we set up beds for our guests' right there! Christ Episcopal is on Church Street (next to the Greene County Public Library) and Emmanuel Baptists is on OH 380 right on the southern edge of town.

3. What time does it open and close? How many days a week?

The shelter opens at 7PM sharp every night and closes at 8am the next day, every day, including holidays

4. What do shelter volunteers do? How many of them are there?

Shelter volunteers supervise the guests – just to make sure everything is OK. Most guests are exhausted from walking around outside to keep warm and usually come in, eat and go right to sleep. Some shelter volunteers cook/bring food; others help cook and still others watch the guests cook! After the meal, the volunteers ensure the guests clean up. In the morning, volunteers ensure the facility is clean and beds are made.

We have 2 volunteers every night – one man and one woman since we have guests of both genders. We have volunteers aged 18 up to (literally) 80.

5. What kind of people come to this shelter? Is there trouble?

We take anyone who comes in (assuming they are behaving in an acceptable manner). Typical guests are single “street people” who don't have housing or family to take them in. A few have jobs but don't make enough to have a place to live – others have behavioral or addiction issues that keep them from holding a job. They are very grateful for a place to stay and don't normally cause any trouble since it means they will be out on the street again (!). If someone causes trouble we remove them immediately for the safety of the volunteers and other guests. The Xenia Police Department is 75 feet away (literally) and can respond very quickly if needed. In 5 years we have had to call them once. We have never had any major incidents with a guest.

6. I'm not sure I can handle this

Fear of the homeless is very common. You can call and volunteer to bring a meal in at 7PM and/or just stay a couple hours to see what it's like. You'll find it's probably not as scary as you thought – the homeless are just people too!. We also usually partner a new volunteer with an experienced one.

7. How do I volunteer?

Call Mike Taint, Shelter Coordinator at 937-304-1115 or (better) email him at mtaint@woh.rr.com.

THANK YOU AND MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU!

ROTATION DATES

Nov-11

as of Oct 31 2011

Xenia Emergency Homeless Shelter – Christ Episcopal Church

63 East Church Street, Xenia OH Phone: 372-1594

Shelter Coordinator: Mike Taint 937 304 1115

	Church Coordinator	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Nov 1-6	Mike Taint 304 1115		Pete Simpson & Steven Kidd	Steven Kidd	Jack & Betsy Kidd, 305-9533	Mike Taint & Carol Conway 304-1115	Mike Taint & Carol Conway 304-1115	Steven Kidd
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Nov 7-13	Mike Taint 304 1115	Training: Dick Montgomery & Sandy Prater	Jack & Betsy Kidd, 305-9533		Mike Taint & Carol Conway 304-1115		Mike Taint & Carol Conway 304-1115	Steven Kidd
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Nov 14-20								Steven Kidd Steven Kidd
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Nov 21-27			Jack & Betsy Kidd, 305-9533		Steven Kidd			Steven Kidd
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Nov 28 - Dec 4								



Christ Episcopal Church, Xenia Service Calendar, November 2011

Ministry	Nov 6	Nov 13	Nov 20	Nov 27
Worship Leader	Rev Dr Lynn Sinnott	Rev Dr Lynn Sinnott	Ruth Hazel	Rev Dr Lynn Sinnott
Altar Guild	Jonathan Feinour Pam Feinour	JoAnne Earley Becky Gentry	Ruth Hazel Betsy Kitch	Jonathan Feinour Pam Feinour
Lector	Dana Rhyne	Jack Kitch	Doug Pultz	Nancy Nickell
Ushers	JoAnne Earley Summer Watts	Doug Pultz Elaina Walker	Donovans	Elizabeth Clark Tommy Thomas
Intercessor	Doug Pultz	Ruth Hazel	Mark Cummings	Rick Feinour
Chalice	Jack Kitch	Barbara Bonham	----	Debbie Gillespie
Vestry Member of the Week	JoAnne Earley	Jack Kitch	Summer Watts	Chandra Hightower

Service Calendar, December 2011

****Not sure if we're having service on Christmas morning or two
Services Christmas Eve...or both! TBD...**

Ministry	12/4	12/11	12/18	12/25**
Worship Leader	Rev Dr Lynn Sinnott	Rev Dr Lynn Sinnott	Rev Dr Lynn Sinnott	Rev Dr Lynn Sinnott
Altar Guild	JoAnne Earley Becky Gentry	Ruth Hazel Betsy Kitch	Jonathan Feinour Pam Feinour	JoAnne Earley Becky Gentry
Lector	Michael Taint	Dana Rhyne	Chandra Hightower	Betsy Kitch
Ushers	Doug Pultz Elaina Walker	JoAnne Earley Summer Watts	Donovans	Elizabeth Clark Tommy Thomas
Intercessor	Summer Watts	Barbara Bonham	Dana Rhyne	Jack Kitch
Chalice	Jack Kitch	Debbie Gillespie	Barbara Bonham	Ruth Hazel
Vestry Member of the Week	Michael Taint	Kim Holbert	Vikki Carter	Jack Harrison

Missionary Reports

Dear Friends:

A Blessed Feast of All Saints to you!

We didn't quite make it by the end of the month for the news update – but we're close! As I make my way through our intercession cycle, which includes all of you, I am so very grateful. Thank you all for being part of our lives!!!!

As always, if there are particular ways you would like us to hold you in prayer, please let us know.

Also - if you are Facebook people, we have our toe in the water there at D.j. Kitch. There are mission photos posted. We try to check in there once a week or so, and do our best to respond to all direct messages. Obviously, we are careful how we use it - so the email is still our primary means of contact and news.

OK – lead item is: Belize. Our sponsoring church, St. Francis, has a relationship with several churches, a school and a micro-industry project there. David has the opportunity to join a short mission trip to Belize in February. We are hoping this may lead to another project opportunity. There is the possibility to apply next year for a grant from the same organization who supported our trip to Ramallah. We think this work in Belize might be a good option. So David will be prayerfully laying the ground work for that, Feb. 11-17, 2012.

This past July we were able to attend a retreat sponsored by the wonderful people at Renovaré. We got to briefly catch up with Richard Foster, and we were deeply blessed by Trevor Howard, a pastor from South Africa who lead much of the retreat, and by all the people present. We try to keep a commitment to do something like this on an annual basis, and have been several years behind (smile). This was a wonderful gift, thanks be to God.

We recently also had the chance to catch up with Dr. Jerald Whitehouse, his wife Judy, and Jim and Joyce Neergaard. These are the people David worked with in Cairo, Egypt. Jim and Joyce are in the process of trying to establish a new work there in the midst of the “Arab Spring” and we are blessed to be connected with them. In'shallah (as God wills), we will be able to work with them again in Egypt – or wherever God takes us all!

We are not sure at this stage about a return to Ramallah. The situation there is politically complicated (as always). We will keep looking into it.

Sarah is fully engaged with her service as chaplain and teacher at St. Patrick's Day School. There is a new principal and several new staff this year, and while it has been a mutual learning curve, she is enjoying the ministry there. Her extended ministry to some of the mothers and families is also ongoing. Her spiritual direction practice continues apace, which is also a deep blessing for her. She was moved to tears the other night while saying, “It is such a privilege to be allowed to participate with what God is doing in these people's lives.”

There have been some challenges presented at the church where Sarah serves and which supports us. The priest there abruptly lost 85% of his sight while simultaneously his wife has undergone major cancer surgery. This has placed Sarah in a central pastoral support position – and in the midst of church polity and dynamics as things are sorted out. While it has been quite a rollercoaster ride, God is present. The priest is adjusting well and Sarah is able to assist him. The cancer surgery was successful and the lymph glands are clear. The church community is wrestling in positive directions to respond to the situation.

We have also been able to offer practical support to an older couple who are themselves very active in Christian work and finding that they can't quite “keep up” any more. Sarah serves as a kind of PA and David does general handyman stuff and provides comic relief (staying in his skill set).



And for those of you who have caught up with the news – David is in Seminary (egads!). He is enrolled in the joint MDiv program with Claremont School of Theology and the Episcopal Theological School Claremont. He has just survived his first set of mid-terms, and is adjusting to being a student. Admissions lists him as a “non-traditional” student and the Dean calls him the resident “Post-Denominational Christian.”

As we look to the future of Breakwater Creative, it has become apparent that some sort of recognized credentialing is necessary for insurance and grant application purposes. A Masters degree will be very helpful in that, and this program is where we discern the Lord has led us. So we shall see.

Our commitment is to mission, to our vow of simplicity, and our desire is always to be able to honestly say that, wherever we are, we have followed Jesus to that place. We thank you all so much for hanging in there with us.

YOU ARE GIFT !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Q. What’s so important about making a pledge?

A. The same thing that’s important about any commitment we make. If something’s really important to us – close to our hearts – we make a commitment to it! Our pledge is our public commitment to our Church.

Tithing F A Q

Sunday Scriptures for November

Nov 6 th Joshua 24:1-3a Psalms 78:1-7 or S of Solomon 6:12-16 1 Thes 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13	Nov 24 th Thanksgiving Day Deuteronomy 8:1-3,6-10 Psalms 65 or 65:9-14 James 1:17-18,21-27 Matthew 6:25-33
Nov 13 th Judges 4:1-7 Psalms 123 1 Thes 5:1-11 Matthew 25:14-30	Nov 27 th Isaiah 64:1-9 Psalms 80:1-7,16-18 1Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:24-37
Nov 20 th Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24 Psalms 100 Ephesians 1:15-23 Matthew 25:31-46	(Lectors need to verify the readings for their Sunday.)

If you wish to financially support the Belize mission, David’s seminary work, or us in general, you can make tax deductible donations to St. Francis Episcopal Church. Mail them to our home address, which is still 18210 Napa St., Northridge CA, 91325.

More importantly, please keep praying for us –and if the Lord gives you any word or sense that you feel is for us, by all means PASS IT ON! We trust you all. And if you ever have any questions – ASK.

Also, we recognize that God moves us all on in our lives and service. If God has moved you on to other things, and our newsletter is just cluttering up your inbox, please do not hesitate to drop a quick reply and we’ll move you off the list. We never want you to feel stuck or obligated in any way by us.

Much love to you all – keep in touch as you are able!

Pax Christus,

- Sarah & David

Q. Is that a percentage of our gross income, or our net income?

A. Whatever we decide in prayer.

Tithing F A Q

Sunday Scriptures for December

Dec 4 th Isaiah 40:1-11 Psalms 85:1-2,8-13 2 Peter 3:15a Mark 1:1-8	Dec 25 th I Isaiah 9:2-7 Psalms 96 Titus 2:11-14 Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)
Dec 11 th Isaiah 61:1-4,8-11 Psalm 126 1Thessalonians 5:16-24 John 1:6-8, 19-28	Dec 25 th II Isaiah 62:6-12 Psalms 97 Titus 3:4-7 Luke 2: (1-7),8-20
Dec 18 th 2n Samuel 7:1-11,16 Canticle 3 Romans 16:35-27 Luke 1:26-38	Dec 25 th III Isaiah 52:7-10 Psalms 98 Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12) John 1:1-14

Yoga

One of our most precious, God-given gifts is our body. It is where we live and it is present to us 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for all of our lives. Yet in our world it is one of the least tended to and essential parts of our beings unless it fails or becomes painful in some way. Yoga is a practice that facilitates what one author calls “the four noble acts.” They are walking, standing, sitting and lying down ease with EASE !!

Each of us has a unique physical structure, yet we can learn from a 5000 year old practice called yoga the basic skills necessary for those four noble acts.

Yoga became an important part of my life about ten years ago when I broke my knee. For most of my life I was a long distance runner but the knee injury was a life-changing event. A friend invited me to join her yoga class. This began a journey that has changed and enriched my life. In September I completed my teachers’ training and am open to inviting others to explore this gentle practice. My particular interest is working with beginners and those living with physical challenges.

If you are interested in joining me please let me know. We can put a class together on either a Monday or Tuesday evening that will be open to anyone and may include the shelter residents and staff. We’ll need a minimum of 2-3 people for a class. My email is: pete@rhtns.com

Namaste! Pete Sinnott

Dear Friends,

Please, please add the great news below to your bulletin this Sunday or your on-line newsletter. Several churches in the Miami Valley have applied for community ministry grants from ECSF for the coming year, including Partners in Hope in Troy, the St. James Pantry in Piqua, two shelter ministries in Xenia, several great programs in Springfield, the Kemp School Partnership, CityHeart, and the Dayton Episcopal Pantry. Donating to ECSF via the Columbus Foundation Big Give next Thursday brings in outside dollars to strengthen your ministry! You don't have to live in Central Ohio to participate in this match. **TELL ALL YOUR FRIENDS**, as first time donors to ECSF will also have their gifts matched by a special challenge fund set up by the Bishop, ECSF Board, Cathedral and other major supporters. God bless you and all the people you serve in God's name!

cheers

-Ariel Miller

Gifts to ECSF qualify for Columbus Foundation Big Give match Nov. 10-11!

ALL contributions made to ECSF via the Columbus Foundation website during the 24 hour Big Give starting at 11 a.m, on Nov. 10 will qualify for a pro-rated match from the Columbus Foundation's special fund of over \$1 million. After a 3.3% credit card processing fee, every dollar of your donation plus the match will go into grants to local Episcopal churches. By giving, you strengthen the lifeline of Episcopalians providing food, shelter, and other vital ministries to help neighbors weather the recession and regain stability.

Q. Does it all go to the Church?

A. Again – whatever, in prayer, we’re called to do each year. It certainly can and often does include our other “holy giving”.

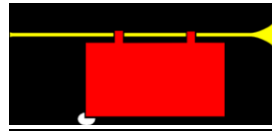
Tithing F A Q



If you've never given to ECSF before, the Big Give is your chance to more than double your gift. The Bishop, ECSF board, Cathedral and other major donors have already committed almost \$50,000 to match dollar for dollar gifts by first-time donors to ECSF between now and year's end.

By "shopping" at one of the regional food banks, a church pantry can turn \$100 into 400 meals of groceries. ECSF grantees help shelter hundreds of families every year and prevent evictions and utility shut-offs. If you make your donation during the Big Give, you'll be multiplying your impact in protecting Ohio children from hunger and homelessness this winter.

Here's how: starting 11 a.m. on November 10, visit <http://columbusfoundation.org>. You'll see a huge banner for The Big Give: click on the button "Find Out More." Choose ECSF from the list of qualifying non-profits and follow the prompts. Donations of \$20 or more from the general public are eligible for match. People with donor advised funds at the Columbus Foundation can make grants of \$250 or more. The Big Give ends at 11 am on 11/11/11. Don't wait until the eleventh hour - your on-time gift will make Miracle Math!



If you are not on the email mailing list or not receiving emails and you thought you were on the mailing list for the church, email Tanya at

cecxtanya@gmail.com Make sure any spam filters allow email from cecxtanya@gmail.com and cecxtanya@gmail.com

Submissions:

Anyone who wishes to submit information or creativity (links of information, information of upcoming events, shout outs of recognition) for Trumpet, should do so ASAP. Deadline for submissions is tentatively October 25th. Submit information by hand to Tanya or by emailing it to cecxtanya@gmail.com.

Q. Are pledges made public?

A. Never the amount – just the act itself, when we place our pledge in the basket, bring it to the altar, etc. It's a witness to our brothers and sisters, and an encouragement.

Tithing F A Q

Q. If I make the commitment to tithe, when do I begin?

A. We begin by deciding on the percentage we can reasonably do this year – and increasing it a little every year until we reach our goal.

Tithing F A Q

A Stewardship Event



Mission Sunday

November 6 - At Breakfast

...time to enjoy breakfast and

neighborhood

talk about mission in our

