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## Tell your story...tell our story

All of us have a story to tell—the story of how God’s love is revealed in our lives and how we live out that love in our communities through worship and works of mission. One way to share this Good News with others is to tell that common story through pictures of the people and places where’s God’s love manifests itself in Southern Ohio.

In a effort to help you and your congregation share your story, the diocese’s communications department is sponsoring a series of workshops across the diocese that will provide you with the tools and knowledge to better use your point-and-shoot camera—and empower you to better tell your story through great pictures.



The key to improving one's photography is to learn what you can do with your camera. **PhotoSafari** is a workshop structured to improve your photography - and take better pictures for your congregation. At a **PhotoSafari**, you will

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- become more comfortable with the features and functions of your camera
- use your own camera, user manual and Safari guidebook to keep you from getting lost on the trek
- shoot your own images of parish "wild life", people and things. Then join your guides to edit and discuss the photographs taken throughout the day

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## Christ Episcopal Church, Xenia Service Calendar, September 2010

Ministry	Sept 5	Sept 12	Sept 19	Sept 26
Worship Leader	Debbie Gillispie	Rev Judith Doran	Jack Kitch	Rev David McCoy
Altar Guild	JoAnne Earley The Walkers	Ruth Hazel Betsy Kitch	Jonathan Feinour Pamela Feinout	JoAnne Earley The Walkers
Lector	Barbara Bonham	Chandra Hightower	Betsy Kitch	Pam Feinour
Ushers	Elaina Walker Summer Watts	Doug Pultz JoAnne Earley	Jennie Hudson Kim Holbert	Elizabeth Clark Rick Feinour
Intercessor	Ruth Hazel	Debbie Gillespie	Barbara Bonham	Rick Feinour
Chalice	XXXXXX	Rick Feinour	XXXXX	Ruth Hazel
Vestry Member of the Week	Roth Patterson	Jennie Hudson	JoAnne Earley	Michael Taint

## Christ Episcopal Church, Xenia Service Calendar, October 2010

Ministry	Oct 3	Oct 10	Oct 17	Oct 24	Oct 31
Worship Leader	Ruth Hazel	Bishop Breidenthal	Barbara Bonham	TBD (HE)	Rev Abey Flemister
Altar Guild	Ruth Hazel Betsy Kitch	Jonathan Feinour Pamela Feinour	JoAnne Earley The Walkers	Ruth Hazel Betsy Kitch	Jonathan Feinour Pamela Feinour
Lector	Nancy Nickell	Michael Taint	Jack Kitch	Mark Cummings	Ruth Hazel
Ushers	The Donovans	Tommy Thomas Summer Watts	Elaina Walker Jonathan	Rick Feinour Doug Pultz	JoAnne Earley Jennie Hudson
Intercessor	Jack Kitch	Doug Pultz	Summer Watts	Dana Rhyne	Mark Cummings
Chalice	XXXXXX	Barbara Bonham	XXXXX	Jack Kitch	Debbie Gillespie
Vestry Member of the Week	Kim Holbert	Jack Kitch	Rick Feinour	Doug Pultz	Roth Patterson

If your name is down and your schedule conflicts, contact Becky as soon as possible.

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

08 Claris Donovan  
Erika Patterson  
18 Link Thomas  
19 Jennifer Hudson  
21 Ruth Hazel  
Angie Lowe  
23 Jeremiah Gillespie  
26 Jamie Feinour  
27 Lee Anne Stookey

## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

09 Suzanne & Brett Ellis, Anniversary

**Oops...if we ever miss your birthday/anniversary please give Tanya a call 767-1578.**

To 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](http://www.christepiscopalxenia.org)

New email address for parish office:  
[christepiscopalxenia@gmail.com](mailto:christepiscopalxenia@gmail.com)

Three **PhotoSafari** workshops will be held across the diocese to make it easier and more convenient for busy people to participate. Each workshop will include learning about the many features of your camera, tips and techniques to

improve your photographic skills of candid shots, portraits and group photos, time allotted to take pictures and a session of evaluating, editing and cropping those photos to learn how to make them look their best.

**Saturday, Sept. 18** 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
St. Barnabas, Montgomery

**Sunday, Sept. 26** 12:30 to 5 p.m.  
St. Philip, Circleville

**Saturday, Oct. 2** 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
St. Paul, Logan

Cost for a PhotoSafari workshop is \$20 per person, which includes materials, refreshments and lunch.

*Reprinted from Bishop Breidenthals site on the Southern Ohio Diocese page found:  
<http://www.diosohio.org/Who%20we%20are/bishop-thomas-e-breidenthal.html>*

### **Note from the Editor:**

**The Bishop's article is the perfect teaser for an upcoming feature to our Trumpet. Tell your story. Submit a story of how you became a member of this congregation, or how you came to be Episcopalian, or how you realized you were at the right place and the right time by divine inspiration. Submit photos, drawings, poetry, or illustrations that enhance your tale.**

## WHITE NIGHTS PILGRIMAGE TO RUSSIA: ST. PETERSBURG, NOVGOROD & SABLINO



The Miami Valley Episcopal Russian Network (MVERN) invites you to join Bishop and Mrs. Breidenthal on a "White Nights Pilgrimage to Russia," June 13-24, 2011, during the season of the beautiful *White Nights* when twilight lasts until dawn.

During this 12 day trip you will explore the major cultural, sacred and historical sites of ST. PETERSBURG and visit Orthodox churches that are partnered with other American Episcopal churches. A short drive will take you to NOVGOROD, founded in 859 and once the rich and influential capital of old Russia.

Travelers will spend three days in the village of SABLINO, where you will see first-hand MVERN's outreach ministry to St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church, the partner parish of eleven Episcopal congregations. You will spend one day assisting with the summer camp at the Sablino Youth Center.

Learn more about this interesting trip at an informational meeting on SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, at 2:30 PM at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 33 W. Dixon Avenue, Dayton. For further information check out the MVERN website ([www.mvern.org](http://www.mvern.org)) or contact Chris Saunders (937/435-3550, [csaunders856@aol.com](mailto:csaunders856@aol.com)) to receive a brochure with complete information. Reservations are requested by November 15.

### Sunday Scriptures for September

Sept 5th Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Philemon 1-20 Luke 14:25-33 Psalm 1	Sept 19th Amos 8:4-7(8-12) 1 Timothy 2:1-8 Luke 16:1-13 Psalm 138
Sept 12th Exodus 32:1,7-14 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10 Psalm 15:1-18 or 51:1-11	Sept 26th Amos 6:1-7 1 Timothy 6:11-19 Luke 16:19-31 Psalm 146 or 146:4-9

(Lectors need to verify the readings for their Sunday.)

"Success is not final,  
Failure is not fatal -  
It is the courage to continue that counts"  
-Winston Churchill



**While vacationing this summer please remember CECX..... the parish doesn't get a vacation from our financial responsibilities. Our bills continue to arrive on schedule. Your continued support with your pledge is very much appreciated. May God's blessings be upon you & yours during your summer ventures. Have fun!**

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**AACW Blues Fest** will be happening Yellow Springs in a couple of weeks. CECX is going to have our Heavenly Sundae booth there. Come out and see us and join the celebration. Festival is on Friday and Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. For more information, see

<http://www.aacw.org/BluesFest10.html>



**Sunday Brunch** will start up Sept 5. Also, 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.

**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, [christepiscopalexenia@gmail.com](mailto:christepiscopalexenia@gmail.com) or at her home, [rvg1947@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rvg1947@sbcglobal.net).

### **Office & 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 Becky Gentry for further details. Also, a big "Thanks" to everyone who brought in printer paper...we are stocked for now!!!

### **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.

### **Country Funeral**

As a young minister in Kentucky, I was asked by a funeral director to hold a graveside service for a homeless man, who had no family or friends. The funeral was to be held at a new cemetery back in the country, and this man would be the first to be buried there. I was not familiar with the backwoods area, and I soon became lost and finally arrived an hour late.

I saw the backhoe and the open grave, but the hearse was nowhere in sight. The digging crew was eating lunch. I apologized to the workers for my tardiness, and I stepped to the side of the open grave. There I saw the vault lid already in place. I assured the workers I would not hold them up for long, as I told them this was the proper thing to do.

The workers gathered around the grave and stood silently, as I began to pour out my heart and soul. As I preached, the workers became excited and began to say "Amen." Their fervor truly inspired me. So I preached and preached like I had never preached before, all the way from Genesis to Revelation.

I finally closed the lengthy service with a prayer, thanked the men, and walked to my car. As I was opening the door and taking off my coat, I heard one of the workers say to another, "I ain't never seen nothing' like that before, and I've been putting' in septic tanks for thirty years."

—unknown author



## In Stone

Two friends were walking through the desert. During some point of the journey, they had an argument; and one friend slapped the other on the face. The one who got slapped was hurt, but without saying anything, wrote in the sand, "Today my best friend slapped me in the face."

They kept on walking, until they found an oasis, where they decided to take a bath. The one who had been slapped got stuck in the mire and started drowning, but the friend saved him. After he recovered from the near drowning, he wrote on a stone: "Today my best friend saved my life."

The friend who had slapped and saved his best friend asked him, "After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand and now, you write on a stone, why?"

The friend replied, "When someone hurts us, we should write it down in sand, where winds of forgiveness can erase it away. But when someone does something good for us, we must engrave it in stone where no wind can ever erase it."

Learn to write your hurts in sand and to carve your benefits in stone.

-unknown author

weblogcartoons.com



I AM LOOKING OUT OF THE WINDOW  
WAITING FOR SOMETHING TO BLOG

## 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 July 15th. Submit information by handing print out to Tanya or emailing it to [cecxtanya@cyberwildstar.com](mailto:cecxtanya@cyberwildstar.com).

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