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Upcoming Events:

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Daylight
Savings
Time
begins
March 11
Don't forget
to set your
clocks ahead.

Cowper, who struggled with depression, decided to commit suicide one night. He called a cab to go to the Thames River, planning to drown himself. Such dense fog arose that the driver got lost and finally stopped to let his passenger out. To Cowper's surprise, he was at his own door! He concluded that God had sent the fog to spare his life. The hymn he wrote in response continues:

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take;
the clouds ye so much dread
are big with mercy and shall break
in blessings on your head. ...

His purposes will ripen fast,
unfolding every hour.
The bud may have a bitter taste,
but sweet will be the flower.

God's Mysterieous Ways (from Newsletter Newsletter)

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"God moves in a mysterious way, his wonders to perform." These oft-quoted words, from a hymn by English poet William Cowper, come with an unsubstantiated yet powerful back story.

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Submission deadline is March 20th. Submit articles by hand to Tanya or email to cecxtanya@gmail.com

February Annual Meeting Minutes

Next Vestry Meeting is March 25th



Christ Episcopal Church

163rd Annual Meeting – February 11, 2018

11:15 Call to Order/Opening Prayer

11:20 Appointment of Clerk-Tanya Ellenburg-Kimmet

Appointment of Tellers: Jim Goins, Rick Feinour, Doug Pultz

Reading and Approval of 2017 Minutes. Becky Gentry made the motion to accept, Bev Krouskop seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

By-Laws of Christ Episcopal Church

Report on the Nominations

-Tanya Ellenburg-Kimmet, Cynda Gunn, Rick Feinour, and Karen Ingraham are running for Vestry nominated from the floor.

- Maxine Thomas and Lee Silverstrim is running for the shorter term of Vestry (vacated by Jean Stetlzer) nominated from the floor.

- Barbara Bonham is running for Senior Warden nominated from the floor. Elaine Silverstrim made a motion to close the nominations, Rick Feinour seconded.

- Joyce Goins and Mark Cummings are nominated for Junior Warden from the floor.

- Nominations from the floor closed

Call for voice votes of Barbara Bonham for Senior Warden by acclimation. Call for voice votes for Lee Silverstrim to fill the term left vacant by acclimation.

Ballot presented for Vestry

Reports of the Wardens

-Debbie Gillespie reported on her year. Becky Gentry made a motion to accept the report, Bev Krouskop seconded. Report was accepted unanimously.

-Barbara Bonham reported. Karen Ingraham made a motion to accept the report, Cynda Gunn seconded. Report was accepted unanimously.

Convention Delegates

Team and Committee Reports

1. Buildings and Grounds – Jim Goins (read by Joyce). There was a call to thanks for the work of the Goins' on clearing our jungle yard. Elaine Silverstrim made a motion to accept the report. Barbara Bonham seconded. Report was accepted as read.

2. Heart and Hands – Barbara Bonham. Pamela Feinour made a motion to accept the report. Cheryl Eskridge seconded. Report was accepted as read.

3. Caring Place; Special Receptions/Meals – Cheryl Eskridge. Barbara Bonham announced a huge thank you for Cheryl and Doug for the Christmas Dinner. Debbie Gillespie added a thanks for the work on Barbara Bradfute's funeral reception. Barbara made a motion to accept the report as presented, Becky Gentry seconded. Report was accepted as read.

4. Altar Guild, Parish Nursing, Breakfasts – Pamela Feinour. Karen Ingraham made a motion to accept the report as presented. Bev Krouskop seconded. Report was accepted as read.

5. Clothing Closet – JoAnne Earley. Becky Gentry made a motion to accept the report as presented. Cheryl Eskridge seconded. Report was accepted as read

6. Stewardship – JoAnne Earley. Barbara Bonham made a motion to accept the report as presented. Bev Krouskop seconded. Report was accepted as read

7. Xenia Area Fish Pantry – JoAnne Earley. Cynda Gunn made a motion to accept the report as presented. Becky Gentry seconded. Report was accepted as read

8. Communications/Newsletter – Tanya Ellenburg-Kimmet. Cynda Gunn made a motion to accept the report as presented. Rick Feinour seconded. Report was accepted as read.

9. Community Dinners – Bev Krouskop reported a total of 777 meals served for the year. She is thankful for the help. Elaine Silverstrim made a motion to accept the report as presented. Barbara Bonham seconded. Report was accepted as read.

10. Creation Care Committee – Mark Cummings reported they meet as needed as issues come up and are open to ideas. The committee is feels responsible for God's creation. The committee is calling for members and ideas. Barbara Bonham made a motion to accept the report as presented. Larry Thomas seconded. Report was accepted as read.

11. Parish Caring, Welcome – Claris Donovan. Maxine Thomas made a motion to accept the report. Jennie Hudson seconded. Report was accepted as read by Debbie Gillespie.

12. Finance Team – Doug Pultz made his report. Maxine gave thanks for Doug's work.

13. Budget 2018 – Doug Pultz made his report. Elaine Silverstrim made a motion to accept the budget. Cynda Gunn seconded. Report was accepted as read.

Tellers' Report for the Vestry: Tanya Ellenburg-Kimmet and Karen Ingraham

Nominations for Delegates from the floor: Barbara Bonham, Karen Ingraham, Bradley Alexander, Elaine Silverstrim, Lee Silverstrim, Doug Pultz. Barbara Bonham made a motion to close the nominations. Bev

Krouskop seconded. The nominations were closed by voice vote.

Tellers' Report for the Delegates: Elaine Silverstrim, Lee Silverstrim, Doug Pultz, and Bradley Alexander with Barbara Bonham and Karen Ingraham as alternates.

Debbie thanked to departing Vestry & Delegates as well as the remaining members and our office administrator Becky for their hard work.

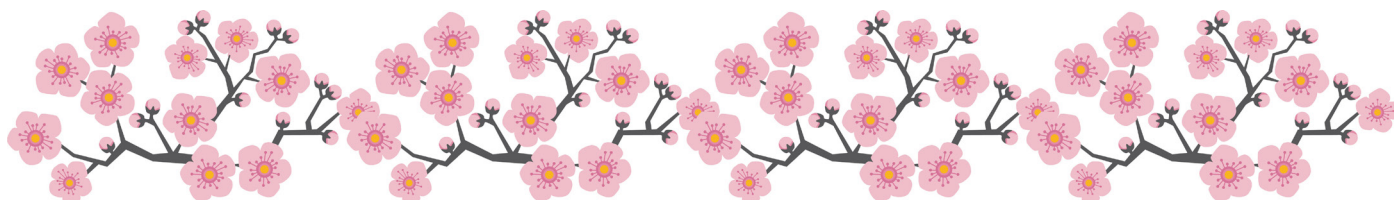
Welcome to incoming Vestry & Delegates: Barbara Bonham as senior warden, Mark Cummings as junior warden, Karen Ingraham, Lee Silverstrim, and Tanya Ellenburg-Kimmet as vestry, and Elaine Silverstrim, Lee Silverstrim, Doug Pultz, and Bradley Alexander as delegates with Barbara Bonham and Karen Ingraham as alternates.

Maxine Thomas offered thanks to Debbie Gillespie for filling in the remainder of Dana Rhyne's term.

There was a discussion of bylaws. There was a discussion on altar flowers.

Debbie Gillespie thanked the tellers' for their assistance.

Closing Prayer and Hymn

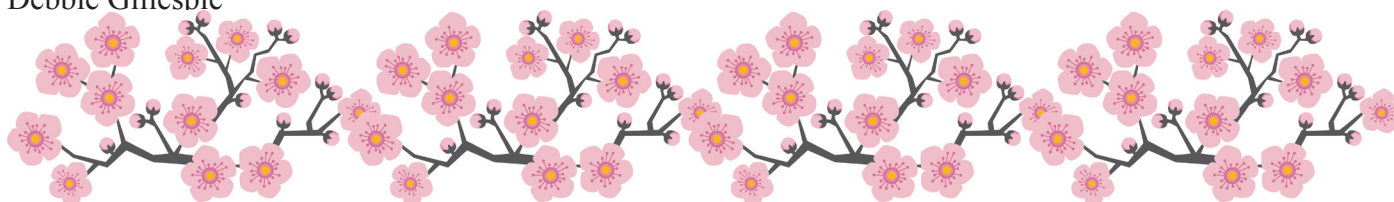


by **Debbie Gillespie**

It has been an exciting year finishing up Dana Rhyne's term! I have renewed faith in what God can do when we put our little in the Master's hands. It has been encouraging to see individuals operate in faith, especially when they are challenged with personal trials and struggles.

It is encouraging to see individuals carry on ministries and church activities in face of daily grinds and conflicts. I have grown, too. Every day, I am learning to acknowledge God and not lean to my own understanding. God is truly amazing. Thank you for your support and prayers during the past year—I look forward to our co-labor as continuing and new members in the New Year and all of the promise that it holds for us all at Christ Episcopal Church and the greater community.

Peace and Love,
Debbie Gillespie



Let every dawn of morning be to you as the beginning of life, and every setting sun be to you as its close. Then let every one of these short lives leave its sure record of some kindly thing done for others, some goodly strength or knowledge gained for yourself.

—John Ruskin

Sunday Supper (aka Community Dinner)

by **Bev Krouskop**

We've closed out the first full year of our Free Community Meals Ministry! We continue to get the word out that these meals are available to anyone in our community who wants or needs a meal. We have a lot of "regulars" who come each month, and we are hoping to increase our numbers as we go into 2018.

We enjoy providing a good meal and served Homemade Turkey Pot Pie at the November dinner-- and followed that in December with three different varieties of Homemade Lasagna. Santa also visited in December (Thanks, Lee!) and distributed the hats, gloves, sox, underwear and lap blankets you all contributed. We still have items left and will give those out at the January Dinner.

Recently, we had to start replenishing our paper goods and supplies that were bought in bulk initially from a different fund. Even with these extra costs we managed to finish the year slightly under our allotted budget—helped by volunteers making and donating food for the meals!

We continue to have great support from the congregation in volunteering and helping to provide a good meal each month. Thanks to All!



We held our latest Sunday Supper on Feb. 19. We served a meal of Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Fresh Fruit, and Jell-O with Fruit to 25 guests. We also served fruit salad and pastries left from our annual meeting. (The fruit salad proved to be a special treat for them and something they probably don't get often!) With second helpings, carry-out meals, and staff we served a total of 50 meals and could have served another 10 or 12.

We had a great group of volunteers: Cynda, Nigel, Jean Stetzler, Jonathan, Karen Ingraham, Father Elaine, Bradley, Jim Goins, Claris, Glen, and Tim all pitched in. (Thanks to all for helping me make this happen!)

As you can see, I have changed from Community Dinners to Sunday Suppers, hoping to make it sound more informal and inviting. Bradley and others are distributing a large number of flyers each month to advertise the meal and hopefully improve attendance.

A couple of good suggestions were discussed at the meal. One was to put flyers on the tables with dates of future meals, for attendees to take with them. The other was to take monthly flyers to the Board of Education for distribution to the homeless teen community. Please email me with any suggestions you may have for how we can improve our process for this ministry and make it more effective. All ideas and/or recommendations are welcome and appreciated!

Please volunteer to help with a future meal so we can keep this ministry going strong!





March

BIRTHDAYS

04	Heather Holland Schroeder
07	Russell Walker
09	Elizabeth Clark
18	Jonathon Feinour
23	Pam Feinour



March 11th!

And also...

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Important

Dates



PALM SUNDAY
March 25th!



with
voluntary
footwashing
provided

MAUNDY THURSDAY
March 29th!



GOOD FRIDAY
March 30th!



EASTER SUNDAY
April 1st @ 9AM!

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!)

FRUIT LADYBUGS

Get creative in the kitchen with this sweet springtime snack.

What you need:

- Strawberries (washed)
- Knife
- Plate or wax paper
- ½ cup melted chocolate chips
- Zippered baggie
- Scissors
- Blueberries (washed)
- Adult help



What you do:

1. De-stem the strawberries. Cut in half and then cut a small V atop each half to make the ladybug body. Set them on a plate or wax paper.
2. Place the melted chocolate in a baggie and cut off the tip of a bottom corner.
3. Pipe a dividing line and "spots" on each strawberry. Also use the chocolate to attach a blueberry "head" by the V shape.
4. Pipe chocolate antennae and legs onto ladybugs.
5. Let harden. Enjoy!



Spring's Beauty

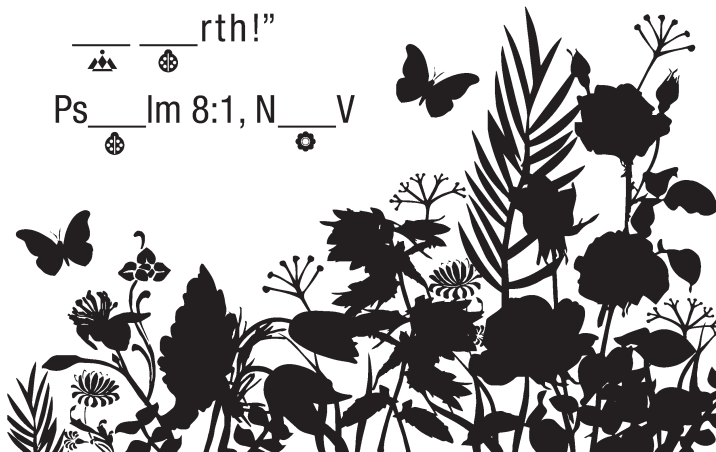
During springtime, the beauty of God's creation emerges in many ways.

Directions: Use the vowel code below to complete Psalm 8:1, NIV.

A = E = I = O = U =

"L__RD, __r L__rd, h__w
m__j__st__c__s y__r
n__m__n__ll th__
__rth!"

Ps__lm 8:1, N__v



Answer: "LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!"
Psalm 8:1, NIV

According to Matthew's account, what was torn when Jesus died?

BIBLE QUIZ

- A. Mary's headress — she tore it as a traditional Jewish sign of grief
- B. A Roman guard's sash — Peter grabbed and ripped it in anger
- C. Jesus' robe — the soldiers divided it among themselves
- D. The temple curtain — torn in two from top to bottom

Answer: D (See Matthew 27:51.)



"I'm playing a crowd member in the Passion Play. I was going to play Pilate 'til I found out I'd have to wash my hands."

Readings for the Exodus Program:

March 4 Goldingay 126-129/ Fretheim 313-316 /Meyers 241-60

March 11 Exodus 38, 39, & 40 (end)

March 18 REFRESH for Easter: Goldingay 53-67 / Fretheim 133-136, 161-170 / Meyers 261-end

March 25 Holy Week Rest; Reflect on Exodus as paradigm for events of Easter, re-read Ex 12-15

April 1 Easter Week Rest; Reflect on Exodus as paradigm for events of Easter, re-read Ex 12-15

April 8 Concluding Colloquium is Sat April 7

Readings from Exodus



Christ Church Easter Flowers To Honor Your Loved Ones

Christ Episcopal Church is seeking members to honor their loved ones in memory or thanksgiving by purchasing Easter flowers. The selection of flowers are Lilies, Daffodils and Tulips. Please place your order by **Monday, March 12, 2018**.

NAME: _____

In Memory: _____

In Thanksgiving: _____

Please indicate your choice and quantity below:

Quantity:

Lilies _____ X \$9.00 = \$ _____

Daffodils _____ X \$9.00 = \$ _____

Tulips _____ X \$9.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL: _____ \$ _____

Place the order sheet in the offering plate or mail to the office with your payment. **The due date for your order is Monday, March 12, 2018.**

If you have questions, please contact Chandra Hightower at 937.376.3990 or via e-mail ccllns793@gmail.com.

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Received: \$ _____ Cash / Check # _____ Date: _____/2018



FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

The suggested March items are canned fruits and vegetables, apple sauce, etc.

Each month will be a new suggested item(s).



Volunteer Service SCHEDULE

Ministry	3/4	3/11	3/18	3/25	3/29 (M. Thurs)	3/30 (G. Fri)
Worship Leader	HE- Father Greg	MP - Rick	HE - Father Greg	HE Palm Sunday - Father Elaine	HE - Father Greg	HE - Father Elaine
Altar Guild	Doug/Tanya	Ruth/Becky	JoAnne/Pam	Doug/Tanya	Ruth/Becky	JoAnne/Becky
Lector	Debbie/Becky	Pam/Tommy/Barb	Elaine/Ruth	all lectors	Mark/Pam	Pam/Debbie/Doug
Ushers	JoAnne, Doug	Clariss, Brad	Elizabeth, Doug	JoAnne, Rick	Clariss, Brad	Brad/Doug
Intercessor	Barb	Ruth	Debbie	Jennie	Pam	Reader: Becky
Chalice	Mark	-	Pam	Debbie	Ruth	Barb
Vestery Person of the Week	Doug	Barb	Karen	Tanya		?
Healing Prayer Ministers	Jennie/Barb		Ruth/Mark	Pam/Jennie		?

Ministry	4/1	4/8	4/15	4/22	4/29
Worship Leader	HE- Father Greg	HE- Father Greg	MP - Pam	HE - Father Greg	MP - Ruth
Altar Guild	Doug/Becky	Ruth/Pam	JoAnne/Tanya	Doug/Pam	Ruth/Becky
Lector	Becky/Tommy	Ruth/Debbie	Barb/Mark/Rick	Pam/Becky	Tommy/Debbie/Barb
Ushers	JoAnne, Rick	Elizabeth, Doug	Clariss, Brad	JoAnne, Rick	Clariss, Brad
Intercessor	Jennie	Barb	Ruth	Mark	Pam
Chalice	Mark	Pam	-	Debbie	-
Vestry Member of the week	Cheryl	Brad	Lee	Joyce	Barb
Healing Prayer Ministers	Jennie/Barb	Ruth/Mark		Pam/Jennie	