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Upcoming Events:

- November 1 All Saint's Day
- November 2 All Soul's Day
- November 4 - 15 Parish Office closed
- November 5 Heart & Hands 11:30am
- November 6 Daylight Savings Time ends
- November 6 All Saints Sunday
- November 8 Election Day
- November 11 Veterans Day
- November 11 - 12 142nd Annual Convention of the Diocese of Southern Ohio
- November 13 Vestry Meeting
- November 19 Heart & Hands 11:30am
- November 20 Christ the King Sunday
- November 20 Community Dinner 4-6PM
- November 20 Trumpet article submissions due
- November 24 Thanksgiving day
- November 27th First Sunday of Advent

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PRIEST'S PAGE

Dear Friends,

Many thanks to you all for a beautiful High Tea stewardship celebration. We do enjoy good food and companionship here at CECX.

Our next celebration will be, of course, Thanksgiving. In reality, though, this favorite family feast is another continuation of our stewardship. We give thanks for everything in our lives. We give thanks in our Stewardship articles each month in the Trumpet. We give thanks before each meal we eat. We give thanks for every "good and perfect gift", and we give thanks as well for the things that challenge us and send us to God in prayer—and even sometimes in pain.

In all things we give thanks. This time of year brings that home to us in many different ways. I know that this year, in particular, I give thanks for family and loved ones; for a new

ministry that many, many of you are embracing and making a reality. And of course, as always, I give thanks for you! Christ Church is indeed one of the dearest "outposts of heaven" that I know!

Enjoy the Fall, enjoy the month, enjoy Thanksgiving – and take good care of all those things for which you give thanks. That, after all, is Stewardship!

In peace,

ML+



WARDEN'S WORDS by Dana Rhyne, Senior Warden

Although the weather doesn't seem to realize it, we are fully into fall season at church now. The Blessing of Animals and stewardship team's High Tea went very well (I wore a skirt! Amazing!). Next up: All Saints, Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas. Whew!

In addition to all of the worship and fellowship opportunities this season has brought, we also have had service opportunities with our monthly community meals. The meals for September and October went very well. Fortunately for the teams involved, there were extra volunteers for each meal. It not only helps to have the extra people, it's crucial for the success of the meals! So if you are not on a team (or if you are, and it's not your team's month), please consider showing up to help – before, during, or after. The meals are scheduled for the third Sunday of each month, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Our diocese's annual convention is in November, and I attended a pre-convention meeting recently. As always, when I'm in a room full of Episcopalians, I remember why I belong to this denomination. We are a diverse group united by our common liturgy and love for God's people. Amen!



The long view of Advent

Advent is about preparing not only for Christmas but also for Jesus' return. According to Scripture, that won't be the calm, silent scene described in Christmas carols.

In 1928, Dietrich Bonhoeffer preached: "It is very remarkable that we face the thought that God is coming so calmly, whereas previously peoples trembled at the day of God We have become so accustomed to the idea of divine love and of God's coming at Christmas that we no longer feel the shiver of fear that God's coming should arouse in us. We ... [forget] the serious aspect, that the God of the world draws near to the people of our little earth and lays claim to us."

God is love; we'll be in good hands at the end of time. But during Advent, also be in awe of God. Embrace a reverent fear of the Lord that reminds you how profound it is that God chooses again and again to draw near and lay claim to you.



Next month we'll have a report from the Stewardship Team on the incoming pledges. Please let the team know if you enjoyed the High Tea!!

(Members: JoAnne Earley, Chair; Barbara Bonham, Becky Gentry, Joyce Goines and ML+)



BIRTHDAYS



08	Tanya Ellenburg-Kimmet
09	Eric Patterson
12	Karen Patterson
13	Chris Hudson
	Michael Rhyne
16	Carol Conway

Next Vestry Meeting is November 13th



October Vestry Minutes

New Work & Ministry

- Formation of Caring Circles: Maxine T. discussed ideas on forming social caring circles
- Mother Lynn asked about feedback on New MP service
- Mother Lynn presented the plan for handing Halloween Trick or Treat Bags at dinner

Ongoing Work and Ministry

- Barbara B. reported on the first Free Community Meal; Kudos and thanks to Bev Krouskop!
- Maxine discussed our resolution re: Mission Share Formula
- Dana stated there's a meeting next week about the Parking Lot status
- Dana reported Grant Application & other funding for parking lot
- Dana reported she's working on Disaster Preparedness Plan
- Mother Lynn asked Pam about video of church items. Church insurance recommends a video of all church ware as proof for any needed replacement.
- Mother Lynn reported on Piano Process and discussed the plan on how to make changes for our arrangements best for our situation.

Team Liaison Reports

Altar Guild – discussion on processes

Buildings & Grounds – Barbara B. reported on updates including Chris Hudson's repairs to the tower, discussions on painting doors and cleaning gardens

Christian E&F – Maxine T. asked for opinions on plans

Clothes Closet – Dana R. reported that they need some strong backs

Communications – reported on mail received

First Fridays – is done for the year

Parish Life – Pam and Cheryl reported on Breakfast Sunday and Faith's memorial dinner

Stewardship Barbara B. reported they are meeting next week

Worship – Mother Lynn reported that seasonal worship is in place and she is working with our choir director on it.

Treasurer's Report: Mother Lynn reported on finances and made a motion to reimburse Cheryl for her expenses for Faith Patterson's funeral reception up to \$350 and that it comes from line 501.515.2; Maxine T. seconded; motion passed.



One of the most important things you'll ever do as a leader is the developing and nurturing of others into leadership.

Share your work – share your time – share your responsibilities – delegate!
invite someone to work with you
in your cherished ministry.

Your leadership can help insure the life and growth of your work
and the place you love if you do.

Christ Episcopal Church Xenia

FREE



Community Dinner

Sunday November 20th

4:00 - 6:00 PM

68 E. Church St

Featuring:

chicken ala king
(with vegetarian options),
biscuits, tabouleh,
mashed potatoes, and desserts.

Please park in the city lot across the street
(corner of Corwin and E. Church)

Call (937)372-1594 with questions

Christ Church Christmas Poinsettias To Honor Your Loved Ones

Christ Episcopal Church is seeking members to honor their loved ones in memory or thanksgiving by purchasing Christmas Poinsettias. The poinsettias are \$9.50 each.

NAME: _____

In Memory: _____

In Thanksgiving: _____

Please indicate color choice and quantity below:

	Quantity:		
Red	_____	X \$9.50 =	\$ _____
White	_____	X \$9.50 =	\$ _____
Pink	_____	X \$9.50 =	\$ _____
TOTAL:	_____		\$ _____

Place the order sheet in the offering plate or mail to the office with your payment. **The due date for your order is Friday, December 2, 2016.**

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

Received: \$ _____ Cash / Check # _____ Date: _____/2016

REMEMBER



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If you are not on the email mailing list or not receiving emails, email Tanya at cecxtanya@gmail.com Make sure any spam filters allow email from cecxlst@googlegroups.com and cecxtanya@gmail.com

Submissions: Anyone who wishes to submit anything for the Trumpet should do so ASAP. Deadline for submissions is November 20. Submit information by hand to Tanya or by emailing it to cecxtanya@gmail.com.

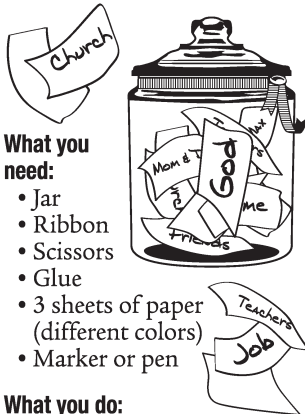
Children's Corner



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!)

BLESSINGS JAR

Thanksgiving reminds us of our many gifts from God. Count your blessings all month long with this craft.



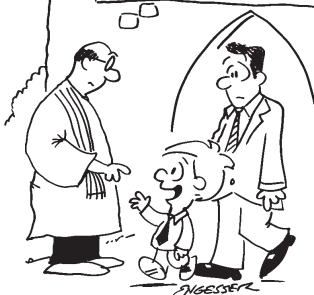
What you need:

- Jar
- Ribbon
- Scissors
- Glue
- 3 sheets of paper (different colors)
- Marker or pen

What you do:

1. Measure and cut enough ribbon to wrap around the jar's neck, below the lid. Glue in place and let dry.
2. Fold each piece of paper in half three times, resulting in eight rectangles per sheet. Cut along the fold lines, and you'll have 24 rectangles.
3. Each day in November until Thanksgiving, write down one blessing from God. Then place that blessing in the jar.
4. On Thanksgiving, open the jar and read all your blessings to your family and friends.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE



"Dad's thankful service finished in time to rush home and see the big game!"

From Newsletternewsletter.com

PUZZLE

Blessings from the Lord

Throughout the Bible, God blesses his chosen people. How can we receive these gifts?

Directions: In the word search, find all the words in the box. Then write the words in the correct order on the blanks below to complete the verse.

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" All _____ "

_____ 28:2, NIV

obey the LORD your God." Deuteronomy 28:2, NIV

Fill in the blank to complete this verse from a psalm of thanksgiving: "Bless the LORD, O my _____, and forget not all his benefits."

- A. people
- B. soul
- C. heart
- D. children

BIBLE QUIZ

Answer: B (See Psalm 103:2, ESV)



November Service Calendar 2016

Ministry	11/6	11/13	11/20	11/27
Worship Leader	ML	ML	MP (Ruth)	ML
Altar Guild	JoAnne, Pam	Dana/Tanya	Ruth/Becky	JoAnne/Becky
Lector	Tommy, Ruth	Nancy, Pete	Dana, Mark	Debbie/Becky
Ushers	JoAnne, Doug	Elizabeth, Tommy	Clariss, Doug	Elizabeth, JoAnne
Intercessor	Doug	Barb	Ruth	Dana
Chalice	Barb	Mark	-	Pam
Eucharistic Visitors	Kim (Barbara)	Dana (Bill)	-	-
Healing Prayer Ministers	Mark, Debbie	Doug, Jennie	-	Ruth, Pam
Vestry Member of the Week	Tanya	Barb	Mark	Tanya

December Service Calendar 2016

Ministry	12/4	12/11	12/18	12/24	12/25
Worship Leader	MP (Rick)	ML	ML	ML	MP (Pam)
Altar Guild	JoAnne, Becky	Dana, Pam	Ruth,Tanya	JoAnne, Becky	Dana, Pam
Lector	Dana/Barb	Mark/Pam	Becky/Tommy	Ruth/Nancy	Pete/Becky
Ushers	JoAnne, Doug	Brad, Rick	Rick, Doug	JoAnne,Tommy	Clariss, Brad
Intercessor	Debbie	Mark	Rick	Barb	Doug
Chalice	Ruth	Debbie	Pam	Mark	Barb
Eucharistic Visitors	-	Dana (Bill)		-	-
Healing Prayer Ministers	Debbie, Doug	JoAnne, Jennie	Ruth, Debbie	JoAnne, Jennie	Doug, ruth
Vestry Member of the Week	Barbara	Maxine	Brad		Tanya