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### Upcoming Events:

- Heart & Hands  
October 3, 1-3
- Blessing of the Animals,  
October 4
- Vestry Meeting,  
October 4
- Worship Team meeting,  
October 10, 1-3
- Stewardship Luncheon, at  
the Sinnott's, October 11  
after Church
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3-4 pm
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at CECX, October 23, 5-8
- Morning Prayer service,  
October 25
- All Saints service,  
November 1
- Bishop's Visit,  
November 8
- Morning Prayer,  
November 15

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## PRIEST'S PAGE

Dear Friends,

This month we talk quite a lot about Stewardship. The Stewardship Team works hard all year to keep us aware that everything good we have is a gift from God – and that we work cooperatively with our Creator in caring for those gifts. I think they do a good job, with monthly articles in the Trumpet and the occasional short blurb in our Sunday inserts.

Our Stewardship Sunday event each year is meant to be a real celebration and thanksgiving for all those good gifts. It's also a time to come together, knowing we can do so much more for God as a community than we can do as individuals. We eat (always, we eat!) we share our joy in God's Presence with us and our joy in each other's presence. And out of all that joy and thanksgiving, and out of our prayerful conversation with God, we make our pledges for the coming year. It's not meant to be a terrible sacrifice – but some small sense of sacrifice helps us to know we are doing our best.

So please – come out to our house – our small "Centerpeace Farm" –

and enjoy a spectacular dinner, thanks to the Stewardship Team and Cheryl Eskridge. Enjoy the beautiful fields that surround us and the gifts of creation that are all around. Come out and gather – we are offering the best hospitality we can, and are excited about having you here!

In peace,  
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Stewardship Sunday Harvest Dinner

**Rain or shine!**

**October 11, 2015**

Sinnott Farmhouse – Centerpeace Farm  
4577 Townsley Rd., Cedarville

See page 6 for details



## WARDEN'S WORDS by Dana Rhyne, Senior Warden

Today the worship team met to plan our services for the next couple of months. I'm excited about autumn at Christ Church! First of all, we will have our annual Blessing of the Animals, on October 4<sup>th</sup>. This is always a fun service. Bring all the critters! The more the merrier! Last year, if you'll recall, we had dogs, cats, *and* a bird! Later, in November, we will celebrate All Saints' Day, have a visit from the Bishop, and honor our veterans.

I've been thinking about All Saints' Day. I have many folks who have gone on ahead of me – my mother, grandparents, mother-in-law, friends... And it is good to honor and remember them. But as Mother Lynn mentioned in our meeting, All Saints' Day is a day to honor *all* the Saints – not just those who are no longer with us. I'm sure we'll sing one of my favorite hymns that day (you know the one). "You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church or in trains or in shops or at sea, for the Saints of God are just folk like me, and I mean to be one too." (verse 3) Everyone can be a saint of God!

Who has been a saint in your life? Give thanks for that person (or persons!) as we approach November 1. Perhaps you can let them know that you plan to honor them during our service. And also consider that you yourself might be considered a saint to someone else. Does that make you sit up a little straighter? I know I just did!



A Prayer.....

Gentle God, you remind us that you are our faithful friend, and that you will deliver us from bondage. Look upon us, your people, and deliver us from the chains that keep us from the fullness of life. We pray this in love and confidence in Jesus' name. Amen

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### BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

05 Tyson Davis  
19 Rick Feinour  
23 Kathy Geyer  
28 Emilie Walker  
29 Evening Hudson



16 Cheryl & James Eskridge





For September 13, 2015

✦ Clerk's correspondence: Tanya announced she had a card for Lee Silverstrim to thank him for the work on the Parish Hall floor.

- ✦ Dana discussed cleaning upper level of kitchen; Dana made a motion to hire Steve K. to clean the upper cabinets and ceiling fan in the kitchen for \$10/hr maximum 4 hours and in addition purchase one of those extension dusters; Carol seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- ✦ Discussion on parking considerations and conflicts with other entities in the community.
- ✦ Bradley reported work on library railings and walkways; the library will be removing the concrete wall because it is crumbling.
- ✦ Dana reported on using the UCC banner text on the T-shirt as a choice in addition to the Top 10 Reasons option. PF made a motion that we purchase the graphics kit from UCC and explore the cost in printing it on t-shirts; Bradley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- ✦ Carol reported on formation of Outreach Team. Vikki, Cynda, and Nigel joined Carol on this team. Church is to be involved in this. Homeless Teens was added to their list of projects to provide help.
- ✦ First Fridays report: Doug reported that despite being rained out the last 1<sup>st</sup> Friday, that over all the year was great.
- ✦ Mother Lynn reported that it seems that Jeremiah Tree may not be opening for this winter as a day shelter. Project is under new management with the new pastor. Rezoning may be cost prohibitive for Simon Kenton Project .
- ✦ Mark reported on CECX Shelter progress, looking good, preparing to recruit and train.
- ✦ Dana announced she wanted to just put out the Church sign. Doug made a motion that we just put the sign up; Dana seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- ✦ Dana reported on Welcome Training Status; down to handful of people to train.
- ✦ Team Liaison Reports: Altar Guild – Pam says the Christ candle broke on the advent wreath, she and Joanne are going to replace it; Boy Scouts – Doug reported school is in session and they should be status quo; Christian E&F – Mother Lynn will be going ahead with an Advent Program and there will be two more confirmation classes; Parish Life – Pam reported on different benefit dinners occurring, Stewardship – Mother Lynn recited the menu to the Stewardship Sunday at the Sinnott's, Worship – Bishop is coming, Special Services for Service folk, Joe will be writing the service music for Lent. Mother Lynn recommends giving our choir director, organist, and parish secretary an increase of pay.
- ✦ Sr. Warden's Report reported that she made a special request for members to keep in mind the Shelter this year.
- ✦ Jr. Warden's Report – vestry discussed what to do about the garden by the kitchen.
- ✦ Treasurer's Report – Doug reported on the status of additional assessment for 2015; Carol made a motion to accept the treasurer's report for audit; Pam seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- ✦ Priest's Report: Mother Lynn showed the letter she was going to send to area funeral homes about parking issues. She also reported on the diocesan response to note to Bishop; Mother Lynn and Doug apologized to the Vestry for stopping full payment of our assessment due to new information on the new assessment; payment had been approved by the Vestry in the previous month. The Vestry agreed with the recommendation to return to monthly payments and their actions.
- ✦ XAACM meeting in October Mother Lynn would like to use Vestry reserve to provide refreshments. Vestry agreed by consensus.
- ✦ Tracy's daughter Synne has made a request for assistance for her high school trip to New York City. Mother Lynn would like to post the flyer for church member support and announce it accordingly.



The next Vestry Meeting  
will be October 4th.





## NEWS FROM THE MINISTRIES:

## GREEN TEAM

Want a quick and easy way to not work so hard raking the leaves and mulch the gardens at the same time (preparing them for spring)? Rake all of your leaves into a pile. Run the lawn mower over them (or skip this step). Rake the leaves onto your gardens. In the spring, pull back remaining leaves to encourage the new plants. If you use a manual mower or skip the mowing step, you're even conserving fuel. It cuts down on your weeding and saves time on raking... it's as if God was thinking ahead or something.



# PLEASE

remember to sign up for providing a meal or helping staff the Homeless Shelter. See Mark Cummings for questions or visit our website:

[www.christ-episcopal-xenia.org](http://www.christ-episcopal-xenia.org)



## ONE TO ONE CLOTHES CLOSET

is especially in need of hangers, toiletries, sanitary products.



## Clothing Closet

## STEWARDSHIP & THANKSGIVING by Dana Rhyne

In October the church will gather at Mother Lynn and Pete's home for a celebration - the culmination of our annual stewardship drive. That means that now is the time to prayerfully consider the ways in which you can support Christ Church in the coming year.

Of course, the church has expenses. We do our best to be good stewards of the financial gifts given to the church, using our funds to be God's heart and hands in the world. We can't do that work without sufficient funds, and our parishioners have always been very generous in the past. Thank you! This year I would ask you to consider increasing your annual gift by just a small percentage (or a large one if you feel led - I don't want to discourage anyone!).

But, as you know, although our church has a big heart it is small in numbers. That means that we need all hands on deck to help support our ministries with time and talent as well. Many of us already wear many different hats, but I would ask you to consider something new that you can do in 2016. Join the choir? The worship, welcome, or outreach team? Help the green team use our resources in an earth friendly way? Join the stewardship team?

There are many ways to help Christ Church. Consider, pray, plan, and then pledge!

**Stewardship**  
Giving Thanks - Taking Care



# Blessing of the Animals

ALL the animals – bring your horses, dogs, cats, birds, mice, llamas, etc.

St. Francis



Sunday, Oct. 4 – 9:30 AM  
Indoor Service & Blessing  
(Outdoor if needed)

Christ Episcopal Church  
63 E. Church St., Xenia 937-372-1594





*You're Invited!*

Stewardship Sunday Harvest Dinner

**Rain or shine!**

October 11, 2015

Sinnott Farmhouse – Centerpeace Farm  
4577 Townsley Rd., Cedarville  
937-532-5019

*Casual clothing – bring a sweater!  
(and a lawn chair if you wish)*



## *Stewardship Sunday Harvest Dinner Menu*

**Butternut Squash & Apple Soup**

**Roasted Chicken**

**Pork Chops & Sauerkraut**

**Mashed Potatoes & Green Beans**

**Corn Pudding & Pea Salad**

**Rolls & Butter, Hot Mulled Cider, Tea, Coffee**

**Variety of Pumpkin & Apple Desserts**





Save the date....



On November 8, Bishop Breidenthal will be visiting with us. He'll celebrate the Eucharist, preach, baptize, and confirm and bless the reaffirmations of those who have been studying and praying together in the Confirmation Class.

There will be a Soup and Sandwich lunch with desserts – you'll hear more about this later.



Just so you know.....

Christ Church will be hosting XAACM on October 23<sup>th</sup>.



*Xenia Area Churches & Ministries*



**Chicken and Dumpling Dinner  
to benefit the Shelter  
October 23 from 5:00-8:00 PM!**



In case you didn't get it, Jack Kitch has a new address:

200 Kirkland Village Circle  
Briarholme Apt 221  
Bethlehem PA 18017

From his daughter Anne:

"He is doing great. Last week he moved from the nursing floor to a studio on the personal care floor, which is a bit bigger than his room in the Pavilion at Bethany. He is mostly walking with a cane or walker.

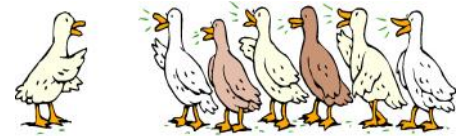
We have been getting out to church and baseball games and hope to get a field hockey game in soon.

He has improved so much since he has been here. I am extremely grateful. Please give our best to all the Christ Church folks."



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 Morning Prayer, November 15 and November 22  
 Newcomer's Sunday, November 29

## Meetings and Upcoming Events



We need assistance for Caring Place  
 – making food for 180 on November  
 12th. Contact Cheryl for details.



### Christ Church Parish Hall Schedule

*The following meetings are private, especially Anger Management, and we are committed to giving them the privacy they need. We always have access to the church and the sacristy through the sacristy and church doors, should we need it. Many thanks for your kindness!*

AA meetings: Wednesday morning, 10 to 11 am; Saturday night, 7-8 pm

Anger Management: all day Thursday, 9 am – 7 pm

Cub Scouts: Tuesday evening, 6:30 pm

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***You will see signs and wonders. But you won't believe because you have seen wonders; you will see the wonders because you have believed.***

***—Dorothy L. Sayers in The Man Bo***

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Mary Luttrell is one of four local women will join the 170 women already in the Greene County Women's Hall of Fame during the 35th annual Recognition Day Luncheon on September 26. <https://shar.es/17dclm>

Luttrell is president of the Greene County Historical Society, where she's planned various projects and events, including the recent inaugural Greene County History Week, pulling in historical organizations from across the county into participation. She is president of the Greene Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Board. She has served as the president of the Xenia Friends of the Library, where she is a member-at-large. Luttrell is also an active member of the Xenia Women's Club, having served on several different committees, including the Scholarship Committee.

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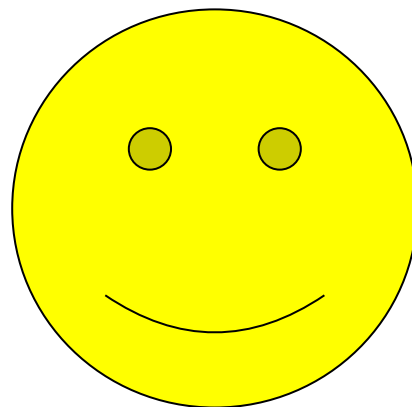
#### **Submissions:**

Anyone who wishes to submit anything for the Trumpet should do so ASAP. **Deadline for submissions is October 20.** Submit information by hand to Tanya or by emailing it to [cecxtanya@gmail.com](mailto: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!)

**PUZZLE**

## meeting needs

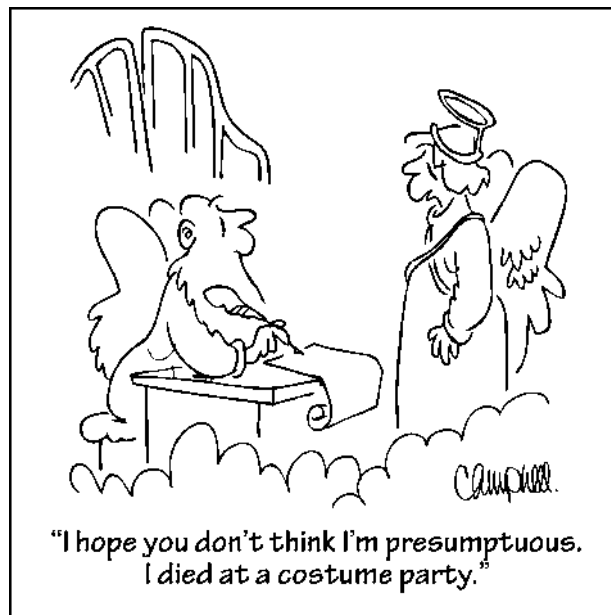
The Bible emphasizes the importance of giving to people in need. In Matthew 6:1-4, Jesus describes the proper attitude for giving.

*Directions: Starting at the \*B and going counterclockwise, write every other letter on the lines below. Continue until you've completed Matthew 6:3, NIV.*

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\_\_\_\_\_g."

MATTHEW 6:3, NIV

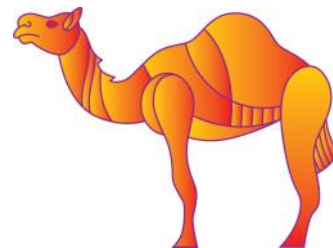
Answer: "But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing." Matthew 6:3, NIV



## Bible Quiz

Of what ethnicity was the one leper out of 10 healed who returned to thank Jesus?

- A. Syrophenician
- B. Samaritan
- C. Syrian
- D. Judean



Answer: B (See Luke 17:16.)

## Service Calendar, October 2015

Ministry	10/4	10/11	10/18	10/25
<b>Worship Leader</b>	<b>ML</b>	<b>ML</b>	<b>ML</b>	<b>MP - Barbara</b>
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Dana, Becky	JoAnne, Tanya	Pam, Becky	Ruth Tanya
<b>Lector</b>	Becky, Dana	Ruth, Nancy	Pete, Debbie	Barbara, Mark
<b>Ushers</b>	JoAnne, Doug	Clariss, Rick	Elizabeth, Tommy	Rick, Brad
<b>Intercessor</b>	Debbie	Mark	Rick	Doug
<b>Chalice</b>	Ruth	Barbara	Pam	n/a
<b>Eucharistic Visitors</b>	----		Dana	n/a
<b>Healing Prayer Ministers</b>	Debbie, Mark	JoAnne, Doug	Ruth, Mark	n/a
<b>Vestry Member of the Week</b>	Maxine	Pam	Doug	Barbara

## Service Calendar, November 2015

Ministry	11/1	11/8	11/15	11/22	11/29
<b>Worship Leader</b>	<b>ML</b>	<b>ML</b>	<b>MP-Ruth</b>	<b>MP-Pam</b>	<b>ML</b>
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Ruth/Tanya	JoAnne/Becky	Dana/Pam	Ruth/Tanya	JoAnne/Becky
<b>Lector</b>	Tommy, Becky	Pam, Ruth	Nancy, Pete	Debbie, Barbara	Mark, Pam
<b>Ushers</b>	JoAnne Doug	Elizabeth, Tommy	Brad, Rick	Brad, Clariss	JoAnne Doug
<b>Intercessor</b>	Barbara	Ruth	Dana	Debbie	Mark
<b>Chalice</b>	Mark	Barbara	---	---	Debbie
<b>Vestry Member of the Week</b>	Dana	Mark	Tanya	Pam	Carol
<b>Eucharistic Visitor</b>	----	Dana (Bill)	-----	-----	-----
<b>Healing Prayer Ministers</b>	Jenny & Eve	Debbie, Doug	-----	-----	Mark, JoAnne

We now have 2 Lectors do the readings: #1 will read the Old Testament, we sing the Psalm, #2 will read the New Testament. Also, we now have 1 usher and 1 greeter. \*\*\*Lectors: if you can't be there on your scheduled Sunday, see if your Lector partner will do both readings or find a substitute.

