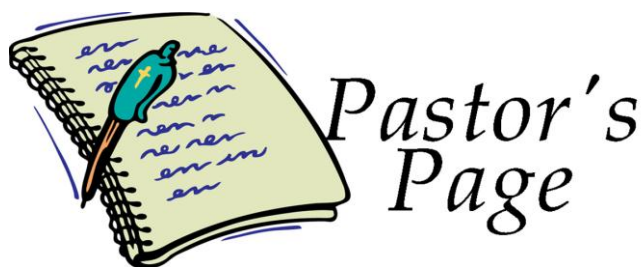


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Dear Friends,

August was quite a month: so hot and humid for much of the time that Pete and I wondered if we had inadvertently moved to the tropics! But all things do pass, and we're blessed here in Ohio with a whole panorama of seasons to appreciate.

We wrestled with some challenging questions over the past few weeks, and I have observed a congregation growing in strength and committed to establishing and living healthy boundaries. On a

personal note, your patience and good will have been a blessing. And your Wardens and Vestry are an amazing group of people; they are supportive and so willing to do what needs to be done. We're all blessed in having them, and I am thankful for them and for you. On a lighter note, a friend once commented to me that establishing good boundaries is a tricky business; very easy for us to see how necessary it is for someone else, and always more difficult to see a need for good boundaries in ourselves!

Our History Workshop is set for September 11. We're going to talk about Christ Church history—our beginnings and our mission, our times of great growth and our times of challenge. You'll have the opportunity to share your place in all that, and the memories that have been handed down through the generations. The stories you share will become our foundation for the work ahead. We need you and all you have to share, so please plan to be here. The session will end about 1:15 PM.

Since we've had some "back to back" potlucks recently, the Vestry is going to treat you to lunch that day. They are providing all the food, so that you can come and enjoy the day without a care. The menu is elsewhere in this newsletter, so take a peek, and let your appetite start working! Blessings on you all, with thanks for all you do.

In God's abundant peace,  
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## Warden's Words

*Coming next month - a message from our Sr. Warden, Summer Watts, alternating monthly with messages from our Jr. Warden, Mike Taint.*

### From Our Financial Secretary Regarding Giving

Your gifts of time, talent, and treasure are always welcome and are certainly appreciated!

In order for all of us to have an accurate idea of income and expense at the church and for the church's records to accurately reflect our giving, there are a few guidelines we need to follow.

Please be aware that any transactions involving cash or checks need to be processed through the church account. Please be sure to memo your intention on any gifts given. This protects us all from errors and/or potential misunderstandings.

Donations of items (where no reimbursement is requested) can be reflected on your Statement of Giving but due to IRS regulations the church is not allowed to place a value on this type of gift. It would be your responsibility to keep a receipt or be able to prove the value. Please discuss any item gift you are considering giving to the church with Mother Lynn or a vestry member. If the gift of an item is accepted, please notify Sue (financial secretary) so that the item can be entered on your Statement of Giving.

### Regarding Reimbursements

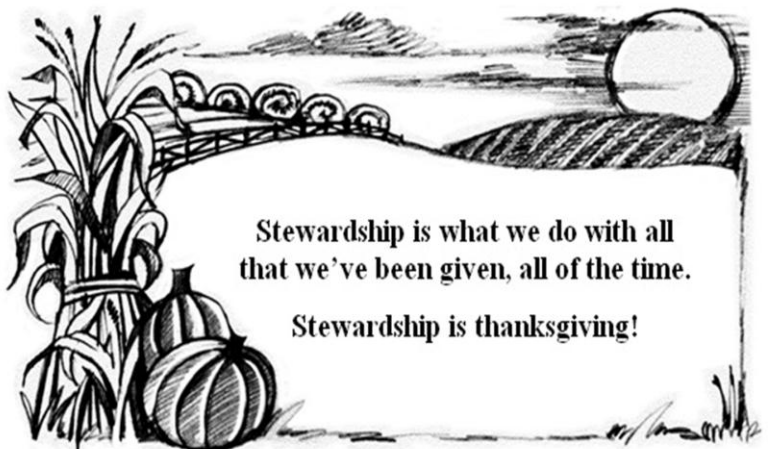
If you have made an *approved* purchase on behalf of the church and need reimbursement, please be sure to complete a check request form and staple your receipt to it. A vestry member OR the chair of the requesting team will need to authorize your reimbursement with their signature on this form. The form then needs to be turned in to the church office.

This History Workshop is the first of the 5 Interim Tasks we will be doing with Mother Lynn. Some will be congregational meetings, while others will be primarily Cottage Meetings that you, the parishioners of Christ Church, will host. This is the "foundation" meeting – and a good foundation helps to insure a good structure...our future here at Christ Church.

### Share-One-to-One Clothes Closet

We served almost 40 individuals this week. Last week and this week many were looking for school clothes for their children or grandchildren. We desperately need school clothes - all ages, sizes - for these families. Infant and toddler clothes are still in need also but right now it is school time. If your neighbors, friends, family have unsold garage sale clothes we will gladly help them recycle those clothes.

We had two ladies "fighting" over dinner plates today so anything along those lines can be used also. NO large appliances or furniture. We don't have space to store them. However, one client needs a double bed. We can direct folks to other folks who might have needed items.



# 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.

**Upcoming Concert:** You are cordially invited to a concert presented by the Dayton Area Harp Ensemble at Christ Episcopal Church, 20 West First Street, Dayton, on **Saturday, September 10 at 7:30 pm.** DAHE has been performing actively in the Miami Valley for the past 31 years, and features 15 harps accompanied by additional instruments. A reception will follow the concert. This event is free and open to the public

**Christ Episcopal Church Xenia online shop**  
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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.

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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

## ANNIVERSARIES

**09** Suzanne & Brett 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:**

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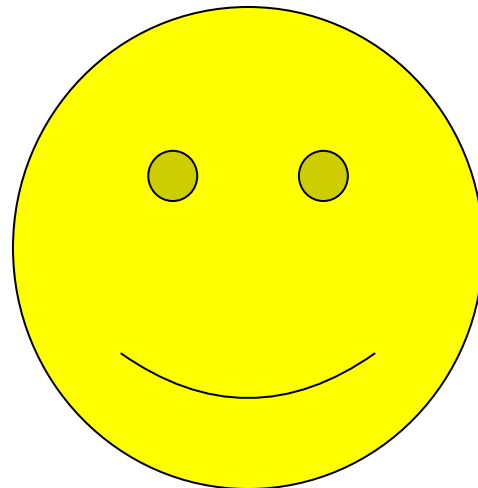
**New email address for parish office:** [christepiscopalxenia@gmail.com](mailto:christepiscopalxenia@gmail.com)

**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](mailto:christepiscopalxenia@gmail.com) or at her home, [rvgl947@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rvgl947@sbcglobal.net).



# 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!)



Answers: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11, NIV)

## A daily reminder

Make this bookmark to remind you that God is with you every day.

### What you need:

- An old calendar
- Scissors
- Cardstock
- Glue stick
- Pencil or marker
- Stickers
- Hole punch
- Ribbon or yarn



### What you do:

1. Cut out the first line of squares from an old calendar, including the days of the week along the top.
2. Cut the cardstock into a rectangle a little larger than the calendar section.
3. Glue the calendar section onto the cardstock.
4. Write "God has plans for me" (Jeremiah 29:11) on the bookmark.
5. Add stickers or other decorations on the back.
6. Punch a hole on one end of the bookmark.
7. Loop some ribbon or yarn through the hole.





# Christ Episcopal Church, Xenia

## Service Calendar, September 2011

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

## Service Calendar, October 2011

Ministry	Oct 2	Oct 9	Oct 16	Oct 23	Oct 30
Worship Leader	Pam Feinour	Rev Dr Lynn Sinnott	Rev Dr Lynn Sinnott	Rev Dr Lynn Sinnott	Rick Feinour
Altar Guild	JoAnne Earley Becky Gentry	Ruth Hazel Betsy Kitch	Jonathan Feinour Pam Feinour	JoAnne Earley Becky Gentry	Ruth Hazel Betsy Kitch
Lector	Betsy Kitch	Mark Cummings	Debbie Gillespie	Pam Feinour	Ruth Hazel
Ushers	Elizabeth Clark Tommy Thomas	Doug Pultz Jonathan Feinour	JoAnne Earley Summer Watts	Donovans	Elizabeth Clark Tommy Thomas
Intercessor	Summer	Rick Feinour	Barbara Bonham	Jack Kitch	Debbie Gillespie
Chalice		Ruth Hazel	Rick Feinour	Debbie Gillespie	
Vestry Member of the Week	Chandra Hightower	Michael Taint	Kim Holbert	Vikki Carter	Jack Harrison

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

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### Lessons from a birthday party

Santa slowly said, “Bien” [“Good” in English], with a bemused and somewhat mischievous expression - an expression that means she has more to say.

Santa and Maximinia, the Clinic’s community health coordinators, had completed a series of workshops for the 13 community health promoter groups. I had asked Santa how the workshops had gone. The workshop topic was about planning projects, setting goals, developing objectives and aims, doing monitoring, and making evaluations - generally a dull and boring topic.

Of course, the health promoters use goals and objectives, monitor progress, and evaluate results all the time in their daily lives - don’t use that formal terminology. Thinking about a birthday party (goal = please the birthday girl or boy), Santa and Maximinia can illustrate all the concepts (even including the evaluation: quantitative = how many people came to the party? or qualitative = is the birthday girl or boy happy?). It has been a clever and engaging teaching method that makes the ideas easy to grasp within the health promoters’ everyday experiences.

At the end of the workshop, the health promoters split into small groups to design a “practice project” for their community complete with goals, objectives, and a monitoring and evaluation plan.

Now back to Santa who continued, “The health

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promoters have left these workshop with a set of realistic and doable project outlines for real health problems in their communities - cholera, mosquitoes, problems with health department services, water drainage - and they are excited about their ideas! This is going to be very interesting to watch.”

These recent workshops (more than previous ones on topics like diarrhea or but they vaccinations) equip the health promoters to plan and develop programs for their communities. It is another step toward their autonomy and self-actualization - a step they seem ready to take. This is going to be interesting.  
 Keep praying, Michael

Grace! This coming Sunday will make the halfway point in our time here in Chalkyitsik. We are taking things step by step and finding our way serving with the church here. Sarah has been leading Sunday services, doing a "Children's Church" Sunday afternoons, having a Confirmation Class weekday afternoons, Wednesday night healing services, evening gatherings at the church house (the home where we are staying) and visiting with folks. Primarily we are listening, listening, listening and praying, praying praying. There are photos and some more info on the blog, [suk-djk.blogspot.com](http://suk-djk.blogspot.com).

Internet access is somewhat limited, so I don't know how often we'll be able to write. We will work to keep posting on the blog.

Thank you so much for your prayers and support. You are very present with us and we could not do this without you.  
 Pax Christus,- Sarah & David

### Sunday Scriptures for September

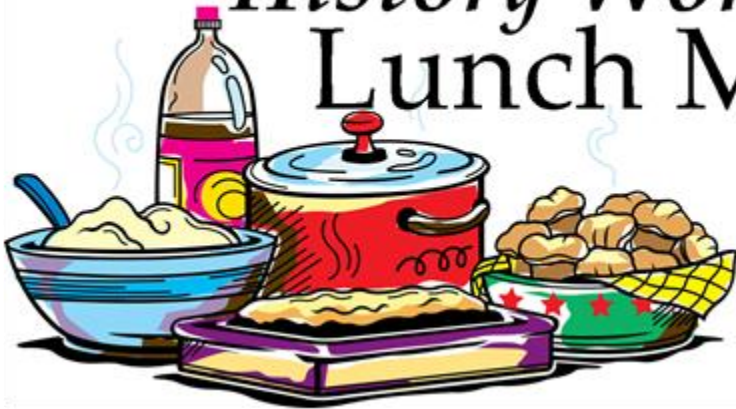
Sept 4 <sup>th</sup> Exodus 12:1-14 Psalms 149 Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20	Sept 18 <sup>th</sup> Exodus 16:2-15 Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45 Philippians 1:21-30 Matthew 20:1-16
Sept 11 <sup>th</sup> Exodus 14:19-31 Psalms 114 or Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21 Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35	Sept 25 <sup>th</sup> Exodus 17:1-7 Psalms 78:1-4, 12-16 Philippians 2:1-13 Matthew 21:23-32

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

### Sunday Scriptures for October

Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup> Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Psalms 19 Philippians 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46	Oct 16 <sup>th</sup> Exodus 33:12-23 Psalms 99 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Matthew 22:15-22
Oct 9 <sup>th</sup> Exodus 32:1-14 Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 Philippians 4:1-9 Matthew 22:1-14	Oct 23 <sup>th</sup> Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Psalms 90:1-6, 13-17 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Matthew 22:34-46
	Oct 30 <sup>th</sup> Joshua 3:7-17 Psalms 107:1-7, 33-37 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 Matthew 23:1-12

# History Workshop Lunch Menu



Beef Stew  
Meatballs  
Penne with Sun-Dried Tomatoes & Capers  
Veggie Salad  
Jello Salad  
Corn Casserole  
Green Vegetable  
Assorted Desserts  
Kroger's Best ?

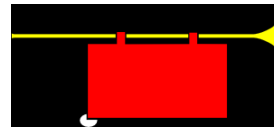
Don't worry about a thing—  
Come & Enjoy Lunch provided by the Vestry!



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#### 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 September 25th. Submit information by hand to Tanya or emailing it to [cecxtanya@gmail.com](mailto:cecxtanya@gmail.com).



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