



THE MISSION OF CHRIST CHURCH is to bring all persons to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ through Word, Sacraments, and instruction, as taught through the Episcopal tradition, that all may know the joy and grace of faith, and to share that grace through outreach.

THE CHRONICLER JANUARY 2019 SPOTSYLVANIA, VA

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

In our Blue Christmas service we read this from the book of Ecclesiastes: “For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven” (3:1). We are just about to move from the season of Christmas into the season of Epiphany. Every season is different and every season presents its own blessings and challenges.

Since the departure of Jeff Packard, you have been living in the season of interim ministry. Your Search Committee is hard at work discerning whom to recommend to the Vestry for your new Rector, but they are expecting that a candidate will probably not be forthcoming until a few more months have passed. Remember, they are working within God’s time frame. They cannot hurry the process and remain faithful to a true discernment process.

In the meanwhile, I also have to discern faithfully where I hear God’s call directing me to serve. Another parish in our diocese is in need of my ministry, so the season of my time with you will end at the close of February. This will complete thirteen months of our ministry together. That will be extending it one month longer than originally anticipated. While it might be ideal for me to remain with you until your new Rector has been selected and a start date announced, the parish’s 2019 budget cannot easily support my staying longer. The use of supply priests for several months will greatly lessen pressure on the parish budget.

Christ Church continues to be fully active and healthy in living out its important ministries. This will not change over the short time left before you learn who your new Rector will be. I am confident that you will take this change of season in stride and that, as a result, your new Rector will be able to begin serving with you upon a more solid financial footing. We still have two months for our interim work together. I look forward to us completing what needs to be done.

Yours in Christ,

JANUARY 2019 LAY MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Lectors	Chalice Bearers	Acolytes	Ushers	Altar Guild	Nursery
<u>January 6</u>					
8:00 Thom Smelter	Tricia Smelter		Jeri Phillips	Magin Team	
10:30 Mary Williams	Jeff Massey Judi O'Neill	Danielle Teets Emma Ayers-Brown Alli Ayers Brown	Ron Magin Frank Stewart		Nursery: Lindsey Bates Sunday School: Karen Watts
<u>January 13</u>					
8:00 Joan Goodbody	Deacon Margaret		Bob Truslow	Wieland Team	
10:30 Marilyn Greene	Joe Junod Stephanie Smith	Andrew Mills Trevor Mills Ethan Goldberg	Cecil Jarman Missie Jarman		Nursery: Lindsey Bates Sunday School: Jill Bates
<u>January 20</u> <u>Annual Meeting &</u> <u>Vestry Election after late</u> <u>service</u>					
8:00 Joseph Ilk	Charlie Hilderbrand		Joseph L. Ilk	Williams Team	
10:30 Ann Woolford	Kristi Gross Tim Watts	Tate Mattive Cade Mattive Colby Clifford	Karen Watts Tim Watts		Nursery: Jill Bates Sunday School: McKenzie Goldberg
<u>January 27</u> (Bishop Goff @ 10:30 Svc)					
8:00 Calib Garland	Deacon Margaret		TBA	Magin Team	
10:30 Anne Williams	Werner Wieland Steve Clifford	Rachel Stockli Chloe Stockli Brady Goldberg	Judi O'Neill Bob McGann		Nursery: Lindsey Bates Sunday School: Kristi DiFilippo

You are responsible for finding your own replacement in the event that you cannot serve when scheduled. If you are serving as a Lector/Chalicer and unable to find one, please contact Penny Knepp at pnypitstop@aol.com or 891-6299 and she will assist you. Notify parish office of person replacing you. Thank you.



CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH JANUARY CHRONICLER

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Annual Parish Meeting and Potluck Lunch

The Annual Parish Meeting and potluck lunch will be held after the 10:30 service on **Sunday, January 20**. Three new Vestry Members will be elected. The Nominating Committee, composed of those Members completing their three-year terms (David Fagiano, Jim Kenkel, and Martha Clark) will recommend a slate of candidates, and nominations may be made from the floor. In order to run for Vestry, you must be a member of Christ Church, adult (at least 16), confirmed, communicant (having received communion here at least three times over the past year), and in good standing (known by the Treasurer as a financial contributor). In order to vote for Vestry, you must be a member of Christ Church, adult, communicant, and in good standing; having been confirmed is not required for voting. More information on the slate of candidates will be forthcoming.



TO ALL OF OUR CHERISHED CHURCH MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY IN JANUARY, WE WISH YOU THE BEST YEAR EVER!!

01/01	James Kenkel	01/12	Joy Newlin	01/22	Stephen Roop
01/03	Justin Phillips	01/13	Marshall Bell	01/22	Danielle Teets
01/03	Steve Wallach	01/13	Joan Gere	01/25	Liz DiRusso
01/03	Roger Williams	01/14	Thom Smelter	01/26	Carol Mitchell
01/04	Carol Moore	01/16	John Phillips	01/26	Delaney Senters
01/07	Drew DiFilippo	01/20	Jack DiFilippo	01/28	Kristie Clifford
01/09	Heidi Mills	01/22	Mark DiFilippo		

Orchestra Members/Participation at Christmas Eve Service.

Joan Gurniak wishes to thank the following for their participation at one or both services on Christmas Eve. The orchestra certainly enhanced the hymn singing for both services. Great Preludes and Postludes also!
Violin: Rachel Stockli; Cello: Roy Smith; Bass: Jeff Massey; Oboe: Leslie Bates, Jack DiFilippo;
Clarinet: Alli Ayres-Brown and Emma Ayers-Brown, Lindsey Bates; Saxophone: Drew DiFilippo, Ethan Goldberg, Gene DiRusso; Trumpet: Logan Massey; French Horn: Hannah Lovell Clifford; Organ: Hannah Massey. Personnel and Stage Manager: Ethan Goldberg; Bravo Ethan!

Christmas Pageant

Many thanks to Rachel, Brady and Ethan Goldberg, Madison and Lauren Clifford, Chloe and Rachel Stockli, Kalissa and Kyla Houck, and Winnie Bell for participating in the Christmas Pageant and Bell Choir. Everyone worked together to make a wonderful presentation of the birth of Jesus. Special thanks to the bell ringers who played single note bells for the first time during our first song. Thank you to our stage hands Lindsey and Leslie Bates for getting everyone in their places and managing the music.



What is Tables of Eight?

A social activity for Christ Church members involving eating, conversing and getting to know each other in a more personal way than might be available within the walls of the church.

Who can join? Each “Table of Eight” consists of four pairs of members, such as spouses or friends. All adults are welcome. (If you are single and want to join I can try to pair you with another single person.)

When does Tables of Eight take place? Each session lasts for 5 months so even with busy schedules four dinners can be arranged. Each “table” decides on the dates of the dinners. The next session will start in February and end in June.

How does it work? Each pair within the “Table” will host one dinner at their home. The host provides the main course, a side or two and the drinks. The other couples provide the appetizer, salad and dessert.

Why? The belief that as Christ Church members get to know each other better, the more whole the church becomes, therefore the more we can appreciate and help each other.

If you are interested or have any questions, e-mail ttmagin22@gmail.com or call (540-273-8224) Tracy Magin. **Please sign up by January 15.** It is great fun!

Episcopal Church Women: Our ECW meeting in January is our Charity meeting. We choose and vote on Diocesan charities that we wish to support. Also we will plan the reception for the Bishop's January 27 visit. Weather permitting we will meet at our usual time, Jan 15, 11:30 AM in the Great Hall. Please bring a bag lunch, dessert is usually provided and join in our fun/planning.

Are You on the Christ Church Family Tree?

Watch as photographs of all parishioners are being displayed on the Christ Church Family Tree, located in the Great Hall. Thanks to Mackenzie Goldberg for constructing the tree! Jill Bates will be taking photos on Sundays, so that all the pictures will be up-to-date. Please seek her out if you have not yet had your picture taken. This Family Tree of photos will take the place of a printed pictorial directory until the new Rector arrives. In the meanwhile the photos will also be able to be viewed online through the parish website by password only.

The Good Book Club Returns

The Good Book Club has returned, and will build upon last year's reading of the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. This year we will be reading Paul's letter to the Romans during the season of Epiphany, beginning Monday, January 7, and concluding on Shrove Tuesday, March 5. Forward Movement has created a set of daily readings to divide Romans into 50 days. The Readings List can be found here: <http://www.goodbookclub.org/readings/> . Use your own preferred version of the Bible. We will not continue the Wednesday group, but have one Bible study group for all, meeting on Sundays in the Great Hall, as our Forum topic, to review each week's readings together. Plan to attend Sunday, January 6, for an overview of Romans and a preview of the readings to follow.

Prayer List Will Re-start ~ The prayer list published in our Sunday Announcements will be re-started next week. If you wish to keep a name on the list, you **must** let us know. As always, you may add a name to the list at any time by contacting the parish office or utilizing one of the pew cards. We do ask that when the need for prayer has subsided, you notify the office so we can remove names when appropriate to do so.

Hearty Congratulations for a Job Well Done!

To all of the individuals who packed, prepared, and distributed the Thanksgiving and Christmas packages in November and December. This little church around the corner from the Courthouse is indeed blessed to have such folks with giving hearts and helping hands. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

When There is Snow on Sunday:

We expect everyone to use his or her best judgment about attempting to attend worship services. When in doubt as to whether services have been cancelled, the church will send word out via e-mail and Facebook.

Christ Church January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 10:30am Quilters, ASH #8 (Bring a Bag Lunch)	4 8:00pm AA Mtg, ASH #5	5 4:00pm Epiphany Bonfire, Rear Parking Lot
6 8:00am HE Rite I 9:15am Forum 10:15am Sunday School, ASH #2 10:30am HE Rite II 11:45am Fellowship 12:00pm Youth Group, ASH #5 12:15pm Conf. Prep Mtg, ASH #8	7 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 165	8 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church 9:00am Food Pantry Morning Prayer, GH 10:00am Food Pantry, ASH	9 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church 10:00am TS Volunteers, GH 12:00pm ECM Mtg @ Scafa's 7:15pm Choir Rehearsal	10 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church 10:30am Quilters, ASH #8 (Bring a Bag Lunch) 5:30pm Vestry Meeting, ASH #8	11 8:00pm AA Mtg, ASH #5	12 4:00pm BS Camping on CC Grounds
13 8:00am HE Rite I 8:45am Fellowship, GH 9:15am Forum 10:15am Sunday School, ASH #2 10:30am HE Rite II 11:45am Fellowship 12:15pm Conf. Prep Mtg, ASH #8	14 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 165	15 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church 11:30am ECW Meeting, GH	16 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church	17 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church 10:30am Quilters, ASH #8 (Bring a Bag Lunch) 12:00pm Lions Club (General) Mtg, GH 6:00pm Diocesan Listening Session, GH	18 8:00pm AA Mtg, ASH #5	19
20 8:00am HE Rite I 9:15am Forum 10:15am Sunday School, ASH #2 10:30am HE Rite II 12:00pm Youth Group Mtg, ASH #5 12:00pm Pot Luck, Annual Mtg & Vestry Election	21 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 165	22 8:00am Hot Breakfast, GH 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church 10:00am Food Pantry, ASH	23 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church	24 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church 10:30am Quilters, ASH #8 (Bring a Bag Lunch)	25 8:00pm AA Mtg, ASH #5	26 11:00am Confirmation Rehearsal, Church
27 8:00am HE Rite I 10:15am Sunday School, ASH #2 10:30am Bishop's Confirmation Visit/HE II 11:45am Fellowship	28 7:00pm Boy Scout Troop 165	29 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church	30 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church	31 8:30am Morning Prayer, Church 10:30am Quilters, ASH #8 (Bring a Bag Lunch)		