



# TIDINGS

The Newsletter of Christ Church – St. Michael's Parish (Episcopal)

April 2009

## Holy Week Services

**Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Palm Sunday**

- 8:00 AM Liturgy of the Palms,  
Holy Eucharist & Sermon  
10:15 AM Liturgy of the Palms,  
Holy Eucharist & Sermon  
5:00 PM Evensong

**Holy Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**Holy Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**Holy Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**

- 12:00 PM Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

**Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**Maundy Thursday**

- 6:00 PM Agape Meal – Etherton Hall  
7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Liturgy  
8:00 PM Vigil/Night Watch  
(*thru noon on Good Friday*)

**Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**Good Friday**

- 12:00 PM Good Friday Liturgy  
5:00 PM The Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**Holy Saturday & Easter Eve**

- 8:00 PM The Great Vigil and First  
Eucharist of Easter

**Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Easter Day**

- 6:15 AM Sunrise Service at CBMM  
8:00 AM Easter Eucharist & Sermon  
9:30 AM Easter Family Eucharist with  
Children's Homily & Choirs  
10:30 AM *Easter Egg Hunt*  
11:00 AM Festal Easter Eucharist with  
Sermon & Choir

## Getting to the Other Side of the Cross: *From Lent to Holy Week to Easter*

Yes, as this newsletter arrives in your mailbox, it is still Lent. Each of us has a few more days of denying ourselves that glass of red wine, slice of chocolate cake or some other tangible manifestation of our “observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial...” (Liturgy for *Ash Wednesday*). On April 5<sup>th</sup>, however, we enter into another Holy Week—that eight-day week that defines our very existence as Christians. Beginning with Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and continuing with his final meal with his disciples, his betrayal, crucifixion and finally, the Resurrection, Holy Week is our annual opportunity to walk with Jesus through his last days before the world changed for all of us. Each liturgy or service during this week is unusual in its structure and symbolism. We wave palm branches on Palm Sunday, dine with the liturgy of the Word and wash the feet of our peers before we strip the altar bare on Maundy Thursday and keep watch throughout the night before we confront the agony of Jesus’ physical death on the cross on Good Friday. At sunset on Holy Saturday, we transition into Easter. The Great Vigil—that most ancient of services—reflects the drama of our salvation story and moves us from our early history and the prophets into the first celebration of the Eucharist for the Easter season. The following morning, beginning at sunrise, four other opportunities to be witness to the Resurrection are offered. Please join us in experiencing this eight-day week that is so crucial to our life as followers of the risen Christ.

## Annual Bishop's Visitation

*Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>*



The Right Reverend James “Bud” Shand, Bishop of Easton, will be with us on *The Second Sunday of Easter* to both preach and celebrate during the 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM services. The rites of Confirmation and Reception will occur during the 10:15 AM service. Bishop Shand will also speak during the Adult Forum at 9:15 AM. Please welcome Bishop & Mrs. Shand.

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 Healing Service – 10AM Wednesdays  
**Sunday Services: 8AM & 10:15AM**

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## The Cross

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. *Amen.*

These are the familiar words of “Bishop Brent’s collect for mission” as a former colleague would say each time he offered the prayer. I have heard it and prayed it many times and found myself remembering it again during retreat at Holy Cross Monastery last month.

In early March, I traveled to New York State with eight parishioners to spend two nights with a community of Episcopal Benedictine monks on the Hudson River. We left Talbot County the day after the “big snowstorm”, not sure what the travel conditions would be, but determined to reach our destination. Travel proved to be easy and the experience was great. For most participants, it was their first retreat. For me, it was the first time that I had been to Holy Cross, having been on retreat at various other communities in the past. It took some time to settle into the routine and to become familiar with its chapel and other spaces. Once I did, I found that I was particularly drawn to the cross above the altar.



The chapel at Holy Cross is a fairly simple place. There is a large crucifix hanging on one wall that depicts a rather sorrowful and uncomfortable looking Jesus. Above the altar there is another large cross—this one is colorfully painted to show Jesus crucified and also various scenes at the ends of each arm. On this cross, Jesus’ expression is peaceful. To me he looked welcoming or reassuring. Different from the tortured man hanging on the crucifix, the portrayal on the cross above the altar showed to me a Jesus whose arms were stretched wide as if ready to embrace the faithful.

The rhythm of life in a monastery includes a great deal of time in worship—five services daily. Not long after arriving, I found myself lingering at the end of each liturgy to gaze upon and pray with that cross above the altar. I was intrigued by how peaceful and welcoming it felt and I prayed about that particular image of Jesus’ crucifixion and what it meant to me in the midst of the Lenten journey. I came to see that this Jesus personified for me that which we talk about at Easter. Here was a man who was killed by being hung on a cross—a method that by definition meant his arms would be spread open in a posture that would help to contribute to his death. And here was a man who could transform that reality into the life-giving embrace that we experience at Easter.

At one of the services at Holy Cross we heard the familiar passage reminding us of how things are with God: “Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.” It occurred to me that Jesus is waiting with open arms for us to ask, search, and knock so that we may draw closer to and spread the good news about God’s “saving embrace.” Alleluia!

— Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt



## No Worries

Many years ago, in a diocese far, far away, I was meeting with the dean who had oversight of the parishes of the deanery that included Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. A parish was entering into a search process for a new rector and I had thought it might be an interesting place to serve. As the dean and I conversed with one another I became aware that I was subtly distancing myself from actually entering into this parish's process. I said things such as "I doubt they'd consider someone without rector's experience" and "there will be so many more seasoned people applying who will want to serve on the Cape." After a slight pause and with great wisdom, insight and candor, the dean made the following remark: "Mark, I believe in a loving God who wants each of us to succeed." He left unspoken the second part of that thought, which was that I was describing a God that didn't believe in me and was indifferent to my successes and failures. He may have wondered why I, after proclaiming from the pulpit week-after-week a belief in a loving, caring and compassionate God, was in my own faith and ministry being a "glass is half-empty" type of Christian? In what kind of God did I believe?

That is the Easter question. What kind of God do I believe in? For years I have struggled with the God and Jesus portrayed in the Gospel of John—a God who before the beginning of time developed a plan to send a son into the world to become human and ultimately die on the cross for the sins of the world and a Jesus who seemed eager to embrace the cross. It seemed to border on child abuse. The other Gospels—Matthew, Mark and Luke—can argue for a different interpretation. Therein, one can make a case for a God who loved the world so much and sent a son to lead us and to redeem us, but in the end witnessed that son being betrayed, tortured and executed by the very creation that was deemed "good" in the beginning. A God that witnessing this gruesome death reached out and intervened in creation to right an awful wrong through the resurrection.

Occasionally, in our less noble moments, Abigail and I will become pessimistic, perhaps even cynical, only to have the other respond with the remark, "I believe in a loving God, what kind of God do you believe in?" Over time, this remark has served as a helpful, albeit mildly annoying, reality check. We cannot be the type of Christian who is only faithful when things are going well. It is in those more challenging times when our faith is tested that we truly have to confront what we believe to be true about God.

As most of you are aware, my family and I are in the final month of preparing to depart for our sabbatical. We will be traveling to Australia and visiting many other exciting locales on our travels there and back. Nevertheless, much of this planning has necessitated countless email exchanges, telephone conversations with travel agents, and calls to schools, clubs, hotels and rental agencies in Australia. In my efforts to cross all of the "t's" and dot all of the "i's" I am usually put at ease by a very common Aussie expression, "No worries." I have been assured by a dozen or more Aussie's that my flights will be uneventful, the hotels grand, the cars waiting, and the weather wonderful with the two words, "No worries." Perhaps, post-sabbatical I can embrace that understanding of God. A God who assures us that we are loved and that God knows the number of hairs on our head and will care for us always. In essence a God who tells me in so many words, "No worries."

— Mark Nestlehutt

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Maundy Thursday Watch – One Hour

On Maundy Thursday, April 9th at the conclusion of the liturgy, the clergy, with the help of the altar guild, will remove or cover all visible signs of Christ's presence, leaving the church empty and barren, like a tomb, until the moment of Easter.

During this process, we will move the reserved sacrament-consecrated bread and wine and set up an altar of repose in the chapel. After the Maundy Thursday service, the church will remain open for parishioners to keep vigil just as Jesus commanded the disciples to stay awake while he prayed in the garden of Gethsemane.

Volunteers sign up for one-hour turns throughout the night and sit, pray or even fall asleep while contemplating this part of the journey. The watch concludes with the Good Friday liturgy. For your safety, paid security will be present during the overnight hours.

If you would like to participate in the watch by keeping vigil in the church for one hour between 8:00 PM on Thursday and 12 Noon on Good Friday please contact Abigail at [revabigail@christstmichaels.org](mailto:revabigail@christstmichaels.org) or 410-745-9076.

### April Evensong – Palm Sunday/The Sunday of the Passion

***Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM***

Our final evensong for the 2008-2009 program year occurs on the first day of Holy Week, Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM. Please join us for this contemplative service of readings, prayers, anthems and hymns as we mark our entry into the final week of the earthly Jesus' life. It is also our opportunity to thank Bill Thomas and the members of our Chancel Choir for their dedication throughout the year. Evensong is offered at Christ Church on the first Sunday of the month from October through April. *Sherry and sparkling water will be served following the service.*

### The Rummage Sale is Coming! –

Judy Sandground

***Rummage Sale Activity Starts April 20th***

It's the gently used donations and the wonderful committed volunteers that have made our Christ Church Rummage sales so successful. It's a win/win project for Christ Church and for the residents of the Bay Hundred area. The sale provides members of our community with quality, needed items (clothing, children's toys, household items) at a low price PLUS all the proceeds from the sale are given back to community charities. God has given us so much. Here's an opportunity to give back to others in need.

**Donations** will be accepted Monday, April 20th through Wednesday April 22nd from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Etherton Hall. Please bring your *gently used* spring and summer clothing, accessories, shoes, kitchenware, linens, treasures, books, art work, toys, electronics, outdoor items and small furniture. Jewelry donations are appreciated NOW. Please contact Lillian Watts 410-745-9999 if you have jewelry to donate.

Many hands (women's and men's) are needed to help unpack and sort. **The sale is two days:** Friday, April 24th from 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM and Saturday, April 25th from 8:00 AM to 12 Noon. Please participate by donating or volunteering or BOTH! Call Carol McCanna 410-744-7696 or Judy Sandground 410-745-

### The Men's Group – Leo Foulds

The next breakfast meeting will take place at 8:00 AM in Etherton Hall on April 11<sup>th</sup>. Our guest speaker will be Brandon White who resides in Easton. Brandon has fly fished world-wide and has just returned from a fly fishing expedition in Argentina. He is well known for fly fishing for rock fish in the Chesapeake and will discuss the challenges and techniques for fishing for rock fish in the Bay. Slides and a video will show you how to catch rock fish on a fly.

If you are not a member of the Men's Group and wish to join please contact Leo Foulds at 410-745-6153. To attend the April meeting, please contact Leo prior to April 8th.

## More ANNOUNCEMENTS ...



### MAUNDY THURSDAY April 9th Agape Meal 6:00 PM Service in the Church 7:00 PM

Sharing an agape meal on Maundy Thursday has become a wonderful Holy Week custom at Christ Church. During this sacred time, a festive feast is not appropriate, but a simple meal of traditional foods shared family style together with blessings and readings reminds us of the last supper that Jesus shared with his friends. It is a wonderful time for fellowship and worship as we journey together to the cross. We hope that you will join us on Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Fish for the meal will be provided. Participants are asked to bring offerings like cheese, olives, dried fruit and bread. Please plan to arrive between 5:30-5:45 PM so that we are ready to sit down for dinner together at 6:00PM. Sign up sheets are available in the Parish House or you may phone the Parish office at 410-745-9076 to let us know that you will be there. If you have any questions or wish to lend a hand, please phone Martha Austin at 410-745-3049.

#### Flower Mart Festival – Karen Orem

ECW's annual trip is Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, to the Washington National Cathedral's annual Flower Mart Festival.

The festival features plants, flowers, and herbs for sale as well as more than 50 boutique booths, antiques, collectibles, and used and rare books. Tours will be offered of Olmstead Woods and the gardens. Food booths offer lobster rolls and a variety of other foods. The bus will leave from Christ Church at 8:30 AM, making a stop to pick up people in Easton and will return by 5:00 PM. The bus will park in an underground parking lot from which there is an elevator that leads to the front of the Cathedral.

Women and men of the parish are invited on a first come, first served basis. The sign-up sheet is available on the Parish Hall bulletin board. For more information contact Karen Orem at 410-770-3629 or [korem@goeaston.net](mailto:korem@goeaston.net).

#### To our friends and neighbors at Christ Church

We would like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone at Christ Church who came to our assistance after our house fire. We are still so incredibly overwhelmed at the love, generosity and support we received from everyone and want you all to know how much it has meant to our family. Within days of our crisis, we had everything we needed to begin our road to recovery - an unbelievable feat accomplished by many caring people. Mark and Abigail were pillars of strength and faith, offering us their love and time when we most needed it. We feel blessed to live in this wonderful community where people are willing to give of themselves. We plan to rebuild and remain here for years to come. Thank you again for your love and concern.

God bless - Kim, Mike, Ashleigh and Brandon Kerrigan

## GROUP & CLUB NEWS



### Docents' Guild – Linda Makosky

Nineteen members of the Christ Church Docents' Guild attended the spring meeting on Saturday, March 14th. Energized by hot coffee and deliciously crisp cookies baked by chairlady Joan Frey, they shared comments and ideas to be followed up in the coming season. We are fortunate to have enthusiastic and dedicated docents.

Among the group there are four husband and wife teams who serve together: Ryland and Lynn Chapman, Sherry and David Jeffery, Ed and Nancy Sipe, and Sid and Barbara Smith. During the docents meeting Sid Smith described an interesting experience. An extended family came in - three generations - from India. The middle aged father began asking questions about the church structure. Sid, an architect by profession, soon realized the guest was also an architect. A conversation followed, focused on the comparative cost of building Christ Church here and in India, given the relative values of labor and materials at the two sites. Recently the Chapmans added to their docent responsibilities as Ryland took over the role of Historian from Mary Thomas. Sherry Jeffery commented: "David and I enjoy doing this together. David is particularly interested in talking to visitors about the history of the parish, its building, especially the chapels of ease, and the building and reengineering of the present church structure. I enjoy meeting our visitors."

Our schedulers are busy developing the duty calendars for May, June, and July. If you have not told them which day of the week you wish to have docent duty, please call **at once**, either Sue Kilmon at 410-745-3141 or Faye Shannahan at 410-745-9373. They also welcome new volunteers.

Correction to Minutes: docents who came to the March 14th meeting and received the report entitled "Docents Guild Fall Meeting 2009; please correct the date to **2008**.

### February Vestry Highlights – Alison Sanford

The vestry gathered on February 14<sup>th</sup> for a retreat at Osprey Point in Royal Oak. Members, including four new ones elected at annual meeting on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, learned about the responsibility of the vestry, benefited from a terrific presentation on church finances, and discussed priorities and goals for the coming year. We ate together and prayed together at morning prayer, noon Eucharist, and evening prayer. And by the end of the day, the enthusiasm for what lies ahead for this parish was palpable.

There is something that always astounds me. Each year, when we elect four new vestry members, it means we say thank you and farewell to four others who have completed their three year terms. And each time we find ourselves asking, "How will we go on without \_\_\_\_\_? He/She is so great and is so committed to this church and its people." But carry on we always do. New vestry members come on with different talents and offer fresh ideas and insight. Moreover, they have that same shared passion and commitment. We are blessed, once again, to have a group of wonderful and dedicated people to carry out the work of the vestry at Christ Church.

### Attention all Women of Christ Church – Sheila Vaughan

Thank you to all who attended and contributed to our March ECW Card Party. Your generosity enabled us to raise \$900.00 for our outreach efforts while having a great time! Thanks to our organizers: Peggy Orem, Betty Hurford, Joan Frey, and Martha Nelson. Please also thank the wonderful people at Londonderry for hosting the event; in particular, Carole Abruzzese.

Our April 14th program will feature our own Betsy Taylor who will speak on the gardens of Beatrice Farrand. Bring a sandwich and join us at 12:30 PM. The Executive Board will meet at 11:30 AM. Contact Peggy Orem 410-819-0022 or Sheila Vaughan 410-745-2392 for more information.

## REACHING OUT



### **Christ Church Invests in Learning at St. Michaels Elementary School – Judy Sandground**

Your donations to our Back to School Project have enabled many needy students to actively engage in the learning process because they now have the required supplies and periodicals and because they are able to participate in field trips with the rest of their classmates. To thank us for this support, St. Michaels Elementary School invited Christ Church to an open house in November. We were treated to a lovely reception in the new cafeteria and then taken on a tour of the newly renovated elementary school.

During our stop in the library, we were introduced to a new teaching tool that the school had obtained on loan for a trial. The Principal, James Redman, explained that this Active Board allows students to interact with their lessons and explore different options by touching the screen to move colorful pictures, words, letters and numbers. He told us that the Active Board in the library had been a huge success and had engaged all the students, including those with difficulty learning through traditional teaching methods.

Mr. Redman informed us that the school was interested in obtaining several Active Boards because they had proved to be such a valuable teaching tool. Many parishioners on the tour expressed the desire to support this acquisition by providing the school with funds to purchase three boards. Happily, the PTO has donated a fourth board and a family with students at the school has donated a fifth one.

So, thanks in part to the response of members of Christ Church, the school is able to replace the borrowed board in the library and add boards to four classrooms. Talbot County has committed to provide another next year. Thank you once again for your generosity. Mr. Redman plans to invite us all again for a visit once the boards are installed.

### **Habitat Update – Alison Sanford**

At its March meeting, the vestry voted in favor of allowing the wardens, Chris Whyman and Alison Sanford, to move forward and begin to put together an implementation team to work toward the final goal of building a Habitat house in St. Michaels.

Chris and Alison will work with Susan Devlin of Habitat for Humanity of Talbot and Dorchester Counties. Look for an update in next month's newsletter. And if you would like to be involved in the implementation of this project, please speak with one of the wardens.



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CHRISTIAN FORMATION



**Christ Church Retreat, Holy Cross Monastery, March 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009** – Jim McCloud

*“Nowhere can man find a quieter or more untroubled **retreat** than in his own soul”* Marcus Aurelius

The day after the big snow storm, a group of intrepid Christ Church parishioners embarked on a 3 day retreat at Holy Cross Monastery, on the Hudson River in West Park, NY. The group included Peggy Rogers, Helen Bower, Laurie Driggs, Sheila Vaughan, Judy Sandground, Nancy Besso, Alison Sanford, Abigail Nestlehatt, and Jim McCloud. With the exception of Peggy and Abigail, none had been on a retreat before, so there were many questions: What do you do on a retreat? What’s it like to stay at a monastery? How will we deal with the silent times? Won’t going to prayer services 5 times a day seem overwhelming? What about the food? More importantly, what about the shared bathrooms!



The answers proved to be very reassuring. The monastery is run by an Episcopal order of Benedictine monks whose primary ministry is to welcome guests on retreats. Upon arrival, we were assigned to rooms, which were formerly monks’ cells and although simple, were quite comfortable. Several had beautiful views of the Hudson. The bathrooms were a pleasant surprise, as they have been recently renovated and grouped into a quad, thus providing 4 private bathrooms with showers for our floor. The food turned out to be good and plentiful with lunch and dinner always accompanied by fresh salads.

The retreat was a combination of presentations by our facilitator, Brother Adam McCoy, daily prayers, free time, and meals. We had five meetings with Brother Adam, one the first night, three the next day, and a wrap up the last day. He organized the presentations around three “E”s: Ecclesia – who we are as Christians; Environment – our role as Christian stewards of the environment; and Economy – our response to troubled economic times. The presentations were thoughtful and intelligent and stimulated conversation and reflection during silent times.

We were invited to join the monks and other retreatants in the chapel for all prayer services and for the most part, we all participated: Matins at 7:00 AM, Holy Eucharist at 9:00 AM, Diurnum at noon, Vespers at 5:00 PM and Compline at 8:30 PM. With the exception of Matins, the monks chanted all the services in plainsong. Rather than overwhelming, the prayer services provided a gentle daily rhythm. They contributed to a sense of calm enhanced by the Great Silence from 9:00 PM until 9:00 AM. In addition, breakfast and lunch were eaten in silence thus allowing our thoughts to dwell on the delicious food, the beautiful views, and our purposes for being on retreat.

And so, after three days, which seemed a bit short, we returned spiritually refreshed, with a friend in Brother Adam and a bond to each other, to the melting snows of St. Michaels and the promise of spring.

Because this proved to be such a meaningful experience, we are now looking at the possibility of another mid-week retreat in early November. Please let Abigail know if you are interested in learning more about plans for this retreat. For more information about Holy Cross Monastery, you can visit their web-site at: <http://www.holycrossmonastery.com/> You can also see pictures of our group on retreat by visiting: <http://gallery.me.com/jasmccloud/100144>

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION Cont.



### Christian Formation for Children and Youth Welcomes a New Volunteer!

At Christ Church we are fortunate to have a growing program for children and youth. We have thirty families on our church school mailing list and twelve families on our Rite-13 mailing list. Our young people are divided into three church school classrooms: 3 year olds-kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grades, and 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades in Rite-13. Ministering to these young people are eight wonderful teachers: two in each of the younger classes and four in Rite-13.

For the past few years, parishioner and former vestry member Ann Roe has been assisting with the administrative tasks necessary to make our ministry with children and youth possible. We are grateful for her dedicated service and pleased that she has agreed to remain available to assist the program as needed. As Ann steps down, Lee Thomas has volunteered to take on the role of organizing and assisting the ministry of our church school program. Lee was married at Christ Church in 2006 and moved to St. Michaels at that time. Prior to moving to Talbot County, she was active in her church in Virginia. Here at Christ Church she serves as a Eucharistic Minister, Lector and Cider Host and is looking forward to taking on this new role. Lee will be responsible for tasks like supporting our teachers, ordering curriculum and supplies and communicating with families. She will work together with our clergy, teachers and parents to make sure that our ministry with children and youth continues to flourish and grow.

Please join me in thanking Ann for her service and in welcoming Lee. Also, as always, we invite your questions, comments, suggestions and assistance.

### The Adult Christian Formation Group – Doris Fink

We look forward to having you join us each week. Following is our April schedule.

April 12	Easter Recess
April 19	Bishop Shand's Annual Visitation
April 26	The Sabbatical Leave of Mark and Abigail

Coffee Hour at the parish house begins at 9:00 AM. The Forum presentations begin promptly at 9:15 AM and conclude by 9:58 AM.

We'd love to have you join us and feel free to bring a friend as well. Everyone is welcome! We invite all adults to experience these unique Adult Forums sessions.

**Finances (as of February 28, 2009)**



**Income**

Current Month	\$40,047	“Fair”
Budget YTD	\$139,713	
Current YTD	\$126,176	
Over/(Under) YTD	\$<13,537>	“Poor”

**Pledges**

Current Month	\$36,508	“Good”
Budget YTD	\$120,000	
Current YTD	\$116,806	
Over/(Under) YTD	\$<3,194>	“Poor”

**Expenses**

Current Month	\$43,752	“Good”
Budget YTD	\$103,241	
Current YTD	\$94,947	
Over/(Under) YTD	\$<8,293>	“Good”

**Income less Expenditures**

Current Month	\$<3,705>	“Poor”
Budget YTD	\$36,472	
Current YTD	\$31,229	
Surplus/(Deficit) YTD	\$5,243	“Poor”

**April Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- 1 Lee D’Zmura
- 2 Bob Perkins, Phyllis Kennedy
- 3 Bill Woods
- 4 Avery Noyes, Rob Kestler, Pat Martin, Mike Lynch  
Mike Kerrigan
- 5 Dr. Bill Moyer
- 7 Andrew Parish, Elizabeth Simoncini
- 8 Jim & Peggy Calvert (anniv)  
Larry & Lois Lindsley (anniv)
- 9 Dr. Eugene Guthrie
- 12 Dianne Shaw, John Booth
- 13 Ebby DuPont, Alexis Clark
- 14 Clyde Sisk, Tom Campi, Sr. , Charles Wieand, Jack Austin
- 15 Jane McConnell
- 16 Tom & Suzanne Newnam (anniv)  
Bill Wilson
- 17 Allison Bridell
- 18 Mary Lou McAllister, Steve Florkewicz
- 19 Roger Roark, Jr. , Amanda Cooper
- 20 Bud Keiser, David Shaw
- 21 William Coyle
- 22 Paul D’Zmura  
Al & Carolyn Finch (anniv)  
R.A. & Jean Platow (anniv)
- 24 Betsy Jallade
- 25 Bill & Raschelle Burton (anniv)
- 27 Dee Eberhardt
- 28 Stephen Fegan
- 29 Gillian Whyman
- 30 Barbara Wroth

**Ministry Areas of Christ Church**

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

Adult Forum	Doris Fink
Adult Inquirers	Mark Nestlehutt
Church School	Ann Roe
Disciples Program	Christopher Whyman
Youth Confirmation	Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt

**OUTREACH & WIDER MISSION**

Back to School Project	Gillian Whyman, Judy Sandground
Children’s Home Found	Nance DuPont, Dianne Shaw
Commun. Youth Initiative	Mark Nestlehutt
Episcopal Relief & Dev.	Pamela McCloud
El Hogar Project	Ned McCall
Grants Committee	John Hunnicutt
Habitat for Humanity	John Hunnicutt
Honduran Dental Mission	Jim Campi
St. Michaels Food Bank	John & Nancy Masone
United Thank Offering	Carol Carlson

**PARISH & COMMUNITY LIFE**

Coffee Hour	Fritz Riedlin
Covenant Churches	Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt
Docent’s Guild	Joan Frey
Episcopal Church Women	Peggy Orem, Sheila Vaughan
Final Fridays	Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt
Kitchen Committee	Mary Riedlin, Nancy Sipe
Layweeders	Kay Perkins
Lea Library	Robert & Marilyn Barrett
Lemonade/Cider in Hall	TBD
Men’s Club	Leo Foulds
Tidings Newsletter	Kim Liberatore-Stolz
Welcoming Committee	Jim McCloud

**PASTORAL CARE**

Care Circle	Gillian Whyman
Eucharistic Visitors	Jessie Weddle
Flower Delivery	Molly Malkus
Knitting Group	Linda Spire
Pastoral Visitors	Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt
Prayer Chain	Doris Fink
Stephen Ministry	Abigail Crozier Nestlehutt

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Clergy Liaisons: Clergy Team**

**Vestry Liaisons: John Booth, Robert Burger, Sal Simoncini & Carl Widell**

Annual Campaign	Carl Widell
Finance Committee	Robert Burger
Property	John Booth, Sal Simoncini

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